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EUROPEAN TENSION

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Wholesale Deportations From Yugoslavia

ARCHDUKE HOUSES REFUGEES

Budapest, To-day.

The number of refugees, who have so far arrived in Hungary from Yugoslavia, is 2,436. Many more are reported to be awaiting transport to the frontier. It is believed that all Hungarians, numbering about 30,000, will be expelled.

The Hungarian Government has issued a nationwide appeal for relief funds and money is already pouring in. The Archduke Albrecht is accommodating refugees on his estate near the Yugoslav frontier. It is expected that the frontier will be closed owing to the growing hostility of the Serbs against the Hungarians. — Reuter.

DUTCH TRADING SOCIETY

35,000,000 Guilders As Capital

FORMER INTEREST IN JAVA SUGAR ESTATES

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
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Amsterdam, To-day.

The well-known Netherlands Trading Society of Amsterdam is writing off 60,000,000 guilders, which is 75 per cent. of the capital, and will further reduce the reserves by 15,000,000 guilders. A new issue of 15,000,000 guilders brings the capital again to 35,000,000 guilders.

The President explains that the Society must be brought to a paying basis in connection with the altered circumstances. The Society, formerly, was greatly interested in Java sugar estates. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

\$18,553,300 MUNICIPAL BOND OFFERING

New York, To-day.—The Reconstruction Finance Corporation is offering U.S.\$18,553,300 worth of municipal bonds, reflecting a confidence in the strengthening of the investment market. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.



Appointed head of the German church by Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler to forestall a then threatened revolt, Reichsbishop Ludwig Mueller, above, faces removal now that his job of keeping the church factions united is nearly completed.

SIAMESE MISSION TO LONDON

Efforts To Dissuade King Prajadhipok

ABDICATION SEQUEL

London, To-day.

A Siamese mission, headed by the President of the National Assembly, has arrived in London with the object of attempting to dissuade King Prajadhipok from his threat to abdicate.

It is not likely that the mission will see the King before Monday. — Reuter.

SILVER IMPORTS TO AMERICA

CHINA SUPPLIES OVER HALF

GOLD STOCKS RECORD

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
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Washington, To-day.

The Department of Commerce reports that silver imports for the week ended November 30, amounted to U.S.\$2,416,094, of which U.S.\$1,271,804 worth came from China, U.S.\$731,294 from Mexico, and U.S.\$179,920 from Peru.

The United States Treasury gold stocks now total U.S.\$8,161,872,000, a new high record. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Silver Prices Decline

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/8 1/4.

Spot and forward silver prices declined 5/16, closing to-day at 24-11/16 and 24-13/16, respectively.

The London on New York cross-rate closed yesterday at £-U.S.\$4.94 1/2, as compared with £-U.S.\$4.95 1/2 on Thursday.

The New York on London rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.94 1/2, as compared with £-U.S.\$4.95 1/2.

AMERICAN GOLD LOAN TO BELGIUM SETTLED

Washington, To-day.—The Federal Reserve report shows that the gold loan to Belgium has been settled for the week ended December 5. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

CHINA-AUSTRALIA STEAMSHIP LINE PLAN ABANDONED

North German Lloyd Action

HONG KONG TO NEW GUINEA SERVICE RETAINED

Berlin, To-day.

The North German Lloyd line has suddenly abandoned the plan for a China-Australia steamship service, and has sold the two ships intended for the run to an Australian company, Messrs. Burns and Philip.

They are, however, retaining the two ships on the Hong Kong-New Guinea service. — Reuter.

The reported action of the North German Lloyd Line in resuming its Hong Kong-Australia service aroused a storm of protests in Australian and New Zealand commercial circles.

Replying to protests emanating from the Australian and New Zealand Chambers of Commerce, the North German Lloyd line said that it was merely extending to Australia its two-ship service, already existing between Hong Kong and New Guinea.

TREASURY BILLS ISSUE

\$18,425,000 Over-Subscribed

London, To-day.

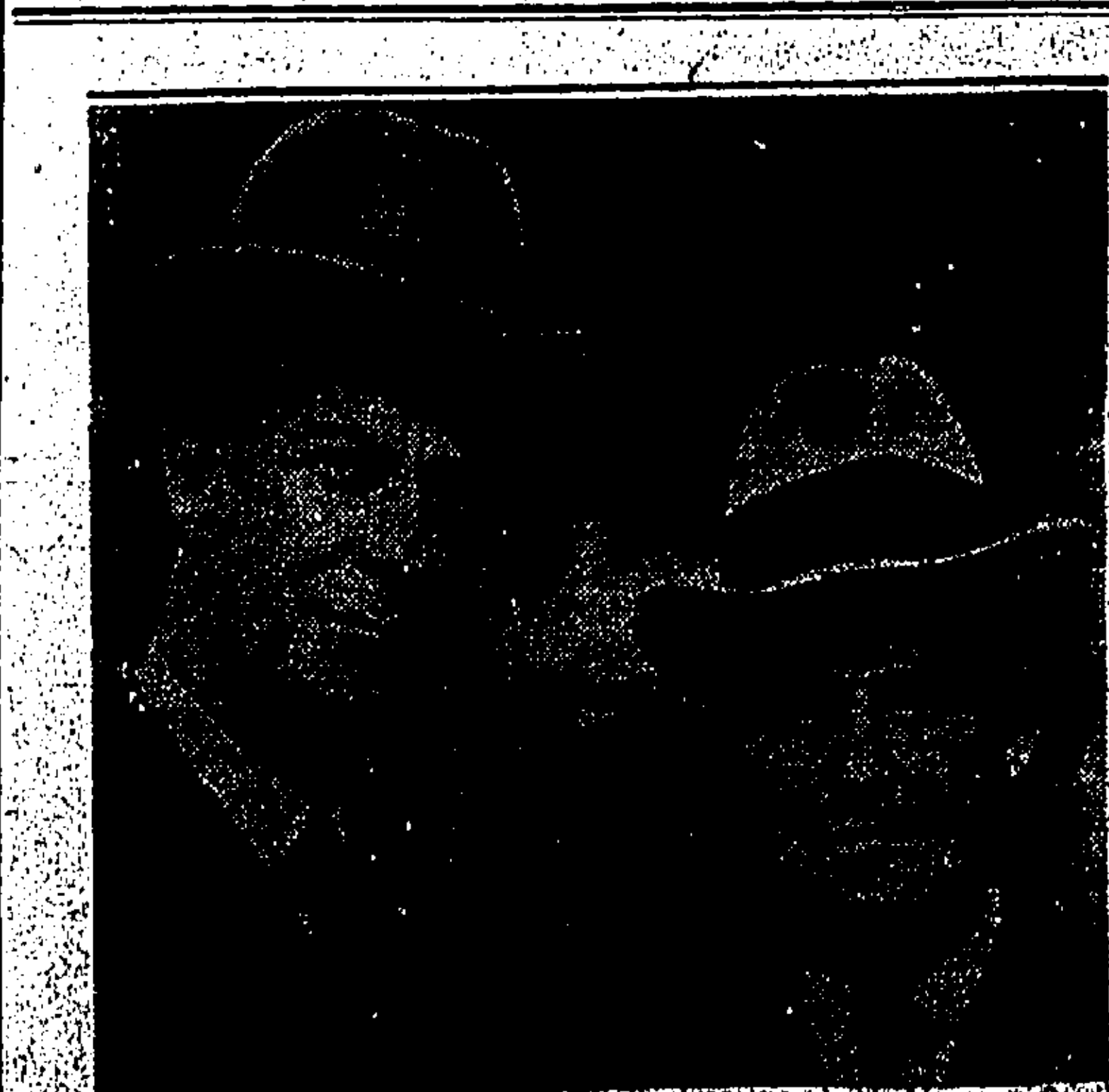
The total amount applied for in tenders for the £40,000,000 Treasury bill issue was £55,425,000. The amount allotted in bills at 3 months was £40,000,000; and the average rate per cent. was 11/2.8d., as compared with 9/8.94d. per cent. last week. — British Wireless Service.

AVERAGE AMOUNT OF BANKNOTES

\$156,487,622 Circulated In November

The average amount of banknotes in circulation in Hong Kong during the month ended November 30 was \$156,481,622. Of this figure, \$135,849,918 was in Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank notes.

Specie in reserve for the same period amounted to \$142,400,000, \$132,750,000 of the figure, being held by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.



James Fawcett, chief attorney for Bruno B. Hauptmann, with (right) George E. Large, of Jersey City, his new associate in the defence of the German, who is suspected of having kidnapped the Lindbergh baby.



A new war scare gripped Europe as the French War Minister, Marshal Henri Petain, announced that France would invade the Saar Basin within two hours if followers of Reichsfuehrer Hitler attempted a "putsch" as the Plebisclite date nears. 16,000 resident members of the Nazi "labour army" are reported to be ready to face the invaders.

BRITISH COMMAND IN SAAR REGION?

WAR MANOEUVRES AT SINGAPORE BASE NOT SIGNIFICANT

Only Part Of Annual Training

VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATING

"There is no truth in the report appearing in the Singapore papers that the combined Navy, Army, and Air Force exercises, which take place on December 15 and 16, have any significance. It is just a part of the annual training of the units, and it so happens that two destroyer flotillas, an aircraft-carrier and a cruiser will be at Singapore when the exercises take place" was the information given the China Mail this morning by the naval authorities.

Every year the defences of various places in the Empire are tested by combined exercises between the Navy, Army, and Air Force, and the authorities have seen fit this year to take advantage of the fact that both the First and Eighth Destroyer Flotillas, the air-cruiser, and the aircraft-carrier, will be at Singapore when the exercises take place. — (Continued on Page 12)

Eagle At Singapore

H.M.S. Cumberland, which is now en route to Singapore, left Saigon to-day, while the Eagle arrived at Singapore yesterday from a southern cruise.

TELEGRAM TRANSMISSION TO AIR PASSENGERS

Experimental Service To Start On Monday

London, To-day.

The Postmaster-General announces that arrangements have been made with The Imperial Airways Limited under which telegrams can be accepted at certain Post Offices for transmission to persons travelling in the Imperial Airways aircraft whilst in the air over sections of the Empire routes between Alexandria and Karachi, and between Alexandria and Capetown.

The service, which for the present will be on an experimental basis, will begin on December 10. — British Wireless Service.

PRINCE HENRY PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE AUSTRALIANS

Affection For Crown And Loyalty To Empire

London, To-day.

H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester's visit to Australia will conclude on Monday when he is due to sail from Brisbane to New Zealand. He fulfilled his last public duties in Brisbane yesterday, including the launch by wireless of the 24,000 tons Orient liner, "Orion," which is under construction at Barrow-in-Furness.

The Duke is spending the week-end privately at a coastal station-house where he will have opportunities of swimming and deep-sea fishing. — (Continued on Page 12)

CURB EXCHANGE SEATS WORTH MORE

New York, To-day.—A seat on the New York Curb Exchange has been sold for \$20,000, as against \$17,500 for the previous sale. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fine weather, with moderate north-east winds was the weather forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

CONVENIENCE OF ARRANGEMENT MOST APPARENT

BRITAIN PRIME MOVER

IL DUCE THANKED

London, To-day.

Arrangements in regard to the Saar International force were being worked out in Geneva yesterday. The final composition of the force is not yet known, but it is hoped that, in response to the invitation from the League Council, contingents from certain other countries will join those from Britain and Italy.

It is understood that no nomination has yet been made for the command of the international force, but if it is decided to have a supreme command it is assumed that it will be entrusted to a British Officer. The convenience of such an arrangement is apparent in view of the fact that the Chairman of the Saar Governing Commission, Mr. A. Knox, to which force he will be immediately responsible, is of British nationality, and it is pointed out that the project for the despatch of an international force to the Saar originated with the British Government. — (Continued on page 9.)

EXPENDITURE AND INCOME UP

Current Fiscal Year Figures In U.S.

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

Washington, To-day.

So far in the current fiscal year, United States Government expenditures amount to U.S.\$3,038,368,006, as compared with U.S.\$2,025,808,055 for the corresponding period of the last fiscal year. Income amounts to U.S.\$1,517,487,316, as compared with U.S.\$1,185,206,750. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

POTATO FUTURES IN U.S. PRODUCTION EXCHANGE

New York, To-day.—The Produce Exchange here is planning to market potato futures. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming marriage to be announced between Dale Cuthbertson, architect of the Republic Bay Hotel, and Evelyn May Cherry, nursing sister of the General Hospital, Singapore.

60 KILLED IN ACTION

BOMBING PLANES AID DISPERSING OF MARAUDERS

Frontier Delimitation Friction

GOVERNMENT NOT RESPONSIBLE

Rome, To-day.

Sixty subjects of Italian Somaliland are reported to have been killed, and 400 wounded in an attack on the Italian outpost of Wallual. Two Italian bombing planes assisted to disperse the Abyssinians.

The Italian Government has addressed a demand to the Abyssinian Government for satisfaction for the attack.

It is stated in Abyssinian circles that the Abyssinian Government is in no way connected with the attack.

Considerable friction recently existed between Italian Somaliland and Abyssinia in reference to frontier delimitation and cattle grazing preserves. — Reuter.

COMMITTEE MERGER IN AMERICA

New Co-Operation For Recovery Efforts

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.
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New York, To-day.

The American Congress of Industry has voted for its committee to join the United States Chamber of Commerce committee to work out details for co-operating with the Administration in a conservative restoration of business.

They adopted a recovery programme, holding that national economic planning is not beneficial, and opposing the centralised control of business, finance, labour and agriculture, urging a balanced budget through retrenchment, a return to a definite gold content dollar, and international monetary stabilisation. — United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

Radio

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.R.W. on a wave length of 355 Metres (845 K.C.S.):

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.

12.30-1 p.m.—Recorded Music.

1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.

1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room (by courtesy of the Management).

1.30 p.m.—Reader: Press Bulletins, Rugby News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Club Down.

RUNNING COMMENTARY ON FOOTBALL MATCH

DANCE MUSIC TO-NIGHT

3.20-5.10 p.m.—(Approx.) A Running Commentary on the Football Match, Semi-Final of the Leg-Wah Cup between the Army and Chinese, from the Hong Kong Football Club Ground, Happy Valley, by courtesy of the Hong Kong Football Association.

5.10-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-12 midnight.—European Programme.

7 p.m.—London and New York Stock & Commodity Quotations.

7.05-7.35 p.m.—Orchestral Programme.

Sleeping Beauty—
Pavane (Tchaikovsky)
Royal Opera Orchestra. Covent Garden.

Polovtsi March ("Prince Igor") (Borodin)
London Symphony Orchestra.

Dobryshchka (arr. Rimsky Korsakov)
London Symphony Orchestra.

Elegiac Melody (Grieg)
Willem Mengelberg and his Concertgebouw Orchestra.

1. Heart Aches.

2. The Last Spring.

Bavarian Dance, Op. 27, No. 1 (Eigard)
Bavarian Dance, Op. 27, No. 2 (Eigard)
London Symphony Orchestra.

7.35-8 p.m.—Victor Herbert Melodies
Ahl Sweet Melody of Life (The Dream Melody).

Victor Salon Orchestra.

Selections from "Naughty Marietta"
Victor Light Opera Company.

Selections from "Sweethearts"
Victor Light Opera Company.

Selections from "The Red Mill"
Victor Light Opera Company.

Badinage
Air de Ballet and Air Fresco
Victor Concert Orchestra.

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.05-8.45 p.m.—Variety.

Songs—
Tell me to-night
Only my Song
Richard Crooks (Tenor).

Organ Solos—
A Japanese Schost
Nineteen
R. E. McPherson.

Waltz—
All Through the Night
On a Little Street in Honolulu
Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.

Songs—
Give me a Ring—I only want one Boy
Give me a Ring—A Couple of Fools in Love
Margaret Bannerman (Soprano).

Instrumental—
Sweetheart Darlin'
I Coven the Waterfront
Arranged for Eight Pianos.

Vocal Duet—
I Like to go Back in the Evening
Lacybones
Layton and Johnstone.

Instrumental—
Blue Sparks
Instrumental—
My South Sea Sweetheart
Masters' Hawaiian.
8.45-9.30 p.m.—A. B. C. Recorded Programme.

Vaudeville Programme
CAST
Alexander and Mose.
Charlie Coburn.
Brinsley Williams.
Annie Winn.
Lilly Morris.
The B. B. C. Dance Orchestra conducted by Henry Hall.

The Programme compared by Tommy Handley.

9.30 p.m.—Reader: Press Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock & Commodity Quotations.

10.30 p.m.—Reader: Press Bulletins, Rugby, Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock & Commodity Quotations.

11.30-12 midnight.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room (by courtesy of the Management).

12 midnight.—Close Down.

FOR ITALY'S BEST CHILD SOLDIER

Silver Bayonet Given By Infantry

Rome. A silver bayonet will be given annually to the best child soldier in Italy.

General Zoppi, head of the Italian Infantry, has informed General Gasio, Chief of the new Pre and Post-Military Inspectorate (which will supervise the military training of Italian youth) that the award of the silver bayonet is the wish of the Italian Infantry.

"This glorious weapon of attack," writes the General, "will thus symbolize to the youth belonging to the Pre-Military category the warlike spirit of our Infantry, of which they will form the largest contingent."

ESCAPED CONVICT'S WORLD TOURS

Now He Has Returned To Gaol

PRICKED BY CONSCIENCE

Brisbane.

John Stelling, aged 26, who, with another man, escaped in March, 1930, from St. Helena Island prison in a boat belonging to the gaol, has surrendered at the Brisbane Gaol, having in the interim been twice round the world.

Early in 1930 Stelling was sentenced with a companion to 10 months' imprisonment on several charges, one of which related to the theft of a yacht.

The men were taken to the gaol on the island of St. Helena in Moreton Bay and a few nights later escaped in a dinghy and reached the mainland six miles away.

The men separated and Stelling reached Sydney where he shipped on a cargo boat for England. He afterwards went to America and thence all over the world on various ships.

Although last year he obtained regular work in England, his conscience pricked him and he decided to return to Brisbane and surrender.

He was ordered to serve the remainder of his sentence and was given an extra month for gaol breaking.

LOCAL BROADCASTS

240 Hours Transmission During November

The actual hours of transmission broadcast through Hong Kong's radio station, Z.B.W., for the month of November, were 240 hours, of which 155 hours were devoted to European programmes and 85 hours to Chinese programmes.

During last month there were 101 new licenses issued to radio owners.

LIVED 94 YEARS IN SAME HOUSE

Thinks Modern Fashions Are Shameless

Miss Agnes Simpson, of Carnoustie, was born in 1838, and when she was two years old came to live in the house she at present occupies.

She has thus had a continuous residence in the same house for 94 years. She coincidentally the modern girl's dress, and thinks some fashions are shameless.

apparent loser in clubs, he could fulfill his contract. He therefore led the Ace and King of clubs and followed with the Ace and King of hearts, throwing West in the lead with the last round of hearts.

Inasmuch as West had nothing left in his hand, but diamonds he was forced to give South a ruff in one hand and a discard in the other, and thus the Declarer avoided the loss of a club trick and fulfilled his contract of four spades.



Success in the move of George F. Temple, Santa Monica, Cal., banker, to win a U.S.\$1,250 weekly salary for his five-year-old daughter, Shirley Temple, already a movie star, puts little Shirley in the class of the highest paid performers in the world. This layout shows the outstanding starlets of the past and present who have made their parents wealthy by their winning ways on the screen—left to right, Jackie Coogan, at the height of his fame; Jackie Cooper, Shirley, Baby Leroy Weintraubner.

ITALIAN ASSN. LECTURES

Programme Fixed For New Season

In pursuance of the programme which has been arranged for the "Dante Alighieri" or Association for Italian Culture, the following lectures will be held during the forthcoming season:

December 18—Lecture by Dr. P. De Martin on "Machiavelli and il Principe."

February 14, 1934—Lecture by the Rev. C. B. R. Sargent on "Verdi."

March 9, 1935—Lecture by Mr. A. Bianconi, Italian Consul-General on "Matteo Ricci, his life and work in China."

April 22, 1935—Lecture and concert under the Direction of Father Rignanti on "The development of Italian religious music from Palestrina to Pavesi."

All lectures will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hong Kong Hotel at 5.30 p.m. with the exception of the lecture by Father Rignanti, which will take place in the St. Joseph's Church.

In addition concerts, of Italian music, will be arranged in the months of January and April, 1935.

JAPANESE COTTON GOODS SEIZED

Military Supplies Pretext

Further seizures of Japanese cotton goods by Customs officers at the Great Wall are reported from the north. The pretext that these goods were military supplies appears to be still popular as an excuse to evade customs duty.

"MASSACRE"—ORIENT THEATRE

"Massacre," a gripping drama of American Indian life, is presented at the Oriental Theatre, with an all-star cast, including Richard Barthelmess, Ann Dvorak, Dudley Digges, Claire Dodd, Robert Barrat and Sidney Taylor.

The picture, produced by First National, shows a Red Indian's life in an American reservation at Iowa, how he is cheated, tortured, and nearly starved to death by the white agents of the reservation.

Richard Barthelmess, who finally brings justice to his own people, gives a splendid portrayal of the educated son who returns to his tribe. He is ably supported by Miss Dvorak.

"ROMANCE IN THE RAIN"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Roger Pryor and Heather Angel come to the Majestic Theatre in Universal's hilarious comedy of a modern magazine publishing office in "Romance in the Rain."

The story concerns a modern Cinderella, who wins a contest and loses her heart to the man who gave her the opportunity, but who is blind to her charms. He goes as far as to provide her with a Prince Charming, but she rebels.

Victor Moore, Esther Ralston, Ruth Donnelly, and Paul Kaye lend excellent support.

Amusements

Cinema Notes

"NANA"—KING'S THEATRE

Supported by a brilliant cast, Anna Sten, the voluptuous Russian star, comes to the King's Theatre in Emile Zola's widely read story, "Nana," a United Artists production.

Anna Sten, as "Nana," is altogether delightful. The role of a street girl is never a pleasant one, but Miss Sten's characterisation is such that there is no trace of the sordidness found in the novel.

"Nana" as Zola pictured her played at love. It was to her an amusing and profitable game. But the "Nana" revealed by Anna Sten, has taken love seriously, as seriously in fact that the end of the picture is very different to the novel. In the adaptation of the book, however, almost none of the colour of the story's period is missed in mounting the tale.

Miss Sten is given an excellent supporting cast. Mae Clarke and Muriel Kirkland play Satin and Mimi, the two street waifs who follow Nana throughout the story. Lionel Atwill, usually associated with mystery, plays the role of Col. Andre Muffat, while Phillips Holmes is George.

"THE BARRETTES OF WIMPOLE STREET"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

Rudolph Besler's famous play, "The Barrettes of Wimpole Street," which served to make Katherine Cornell one of America's greatest stage actresses, brings the tender love story of Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning to the screen, with Norma Shearer, Frederic March, and Charles Laughton in the leading roles.

As the invalid and emotionally restless poetess, Miss Shearer adds to her laurels, and proves her technical skill at its supreme best on the screen.

Frederic March is brilliant as Browning, who will not be denied his love, and whose zest for living inspires and saves Elizabeth. Charles Laughton once again turns in a great piece of character acting as the tyrannical Victorian father who dominates so cruelly his family, especially relying on the sick girl for companionship.

Maureen O'Sullivan is not overshadowed by this famous trio of Academy award winners. Una O'Connor, Ralph Forbes, and Marion Clayton also give excellent support.

The drama tells of a flashing romance that forces its way through the uncannily cruel paternal objection and jealousy.

"THE GAMBLING LADY"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Spring brides who are undecided about their choice of a wedding gown would do well to see Barbara Stanwyck's latest Warner Bros. film, "Gambling Lady," now playing at the Alhambra.

Miss Stanwyck wears an Orry-Kelly design, in her latest screen marriage.

Miss Stanwyck as Lady Lee is exceptionally well suited to the part. The daughter of a gambler who played straight, she pits her card sense and belief in luck against the crooked methods of the syndicate for which she works, and proves to be a lucky one for she wins a millionaire's society man as a husband. The film is based on a thrillingly dramatic story by Doris Malloy and adapted to the screen by Ralph Block and Miss Malloy.

In the cast with Miss Stanwyck are Joel McCrea, Pat O'Brien, Claire Dodd, C. Aubrey Smith, Phillip Reed, Robert Barrat, Phillip Faversham, Arthur Vinton and others, Archie Mayo directed.

"HERE COMES THE GROOM"—STAR THEATRE

"Here Comes The Groom," a hilarious comedy romance, featuring Jack Haley, Mary Boland, Neil Hamilton and Isabel Jewell, is Paramount's current attraction at the Star Theatre.

Trying to prove to his girl that he can be a big success in his profession, burglary, Jack Haley gets himself into quite a mix-up while holding up a poker game. The police find him, give chase, and Haley finds escape in the pullman compartment of a railroad train waiting at the station.

Others in the cast are Patricia Ellis, Sidney Toler and Larry Gray.

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Dated the 30th day of November 1934.

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Sporting Page

LAI WAH CUP CLASHES FEATURE TO-DAY'S SOCCER PROGRAMME

TODAY'S CAER CLARK HOCKEY GAME

H.K. Ladies And Schoolgirls

"Y" LADIES AND H.K. LADIES JUNIORS IN FRIENDLY

The Hong Kong Ladies should secure another two valuable points in the Caer Clark Cup competition this afternoon, when they encounter the Central British Schoolgirls at Soekunpo, commencing at 3.15 p.m.

The Hong Kong Ladies are making several changes in the team which beat the "Y" Ladies last week. Miss Helling comes in at right full-back instead of Miss Smalley, while Mrs. Bennett assumes the responsibilities of the pivot in place of Miss B. Pope, who is indisposed. Miss O'Hagan and Miss H. Hance will support her on the right and left flanks.

The forward line is unchanged from last week and is led by Mrs. Harrop.

The Central British Schoolgirls, who have been handicapped by the loss of Miss L. Hickey, one of their halves and Miss R. Ingram, are making no changes in their usual team.

The teams are:—
H.K. Ladies:—B. Hance, B. Helling, and E. M. Gray; E. O'Hagan, Mrs. O. Bennett and H. Hance; A. Jacks, J. Churchill (Captain), Mrs. P. M. Harrop, C. Ferguson and Miss P. Marsh.
C.B. Schoolgirls:—D. Moss, M. Lam-mort and R. Stephenson; K. Moir, M. Moir, M. McCaw and J. Lakeman; E. Rousseau, J. Humphreys, E. Knill (Captain), A. Martin and P. Stringer.

Caer Clark League Table To Date

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
St. Andrew's	4	4	0	13	2	8	8
H.K. Ladies	4	3	1	10	3	6	6
C.B.A.	4	2	1	13	5	5	5
Recreio	4	1	2	14	6	3	3
"Y" Ladies	4	0	2	1	3	2	2
C.B.S.	4	0	4	0	22	0	0

Cup Goal-Scorers To Date

E. Woolley (C.B.A.)	9
M. Woolley (St. Andrew's)	6
P. Gittins (St. Andrew's)	5
Miss J. Churchill (H.K. Ladies)	4
Mrs. P. M. Harrop (H.K. Ladies)	4
M. Smith (C.B.A.)	3
H. Knill (C.B.S.)	2
Mrs. A. Jack (H.K. Ladies)	2
E. Beavis (C.B.A.)	1
C. Botelho (Recreio)	1
P. Everett (St. Andrew's)	1
B. Remedios (Recreio)	1
A. Alves (Recreio)	1
L. Silva-Netto (Recreio)	1

"Y" Ladies Meet H. K. Juniors

The "Y" Ladies are meeting the Hong Kong Ladies second team in a friendly fixture at King's Park this afternoon, and remain unchanged from last week.

The "Y" selectors have thought fit to leave Miss Blumenthal among the forwards, where she is gradually developing into a good inside forward.

The main fault at present seems to lie in the two full-backs, who, until they settle down to a steady game, will be unable to hold any forward line.

The Hong Kong Ladies are fielding a fairly strong second eleven, but I doubt whether they will be able to hold the "Y" attack.

The teams are:—
"Y" Ladies:—P. George, J. Wilson and A. Fowler; M. Gardner, S. Dalziel and L. Hickey; V. Bradbury, B. Walker, P. McCaw, B. Blumenthal and O. Brown.

HOCKEY CLUB SELECT TEAM AGAINST R.A. OFFICERS

The Hong Kong Hockey Club first eleven will meet the Royal Artillery Officers in a friendly fixture on the field at Happy Valley on Monday, commencing at 5 p.m.

The Club team is:—
C. L. Gregory; J. Rodger (Captain) and E. V. Reed; J. E. Potter, W. A. Reed and G. Sommers; N. A. E. Mackay, H. O. Bramble, C. E. R. Divett, A. T. Lay and J. L. Tolley.



Through the major leagues as a player, George Herman Ruth, best known to the baseball world as 'Babe Ruth', yesterday denied that he will be manager of the Philadelphia Athletics next season, succeeding Connie Mack, who is expected to retire.

BARNSTORMERS TO SEPARATE

Babe Ruth And Party For Europe

SISTER OF TOUR PROMOTER TRAVELS WITH TEAM

Babe Ruth, Vernon Gomez, Lou Gehrig, Charles Berry and "Doc" Edward E. Ebling, who are among the group of big leaguers going to Manila to play a series of three games, will not sail on December 10 with the other members of the party, but will remain over in Manila until December 13 when they sail for Sourabaya on the a.s. Tjinegara. Ruth Gomez and Gehrig are accompanied by their families.

The barnstorming party expects to arrive in Manila to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock or earlier. The party will be composed of 38 persons, including 15 players.

The players will be taken directly from the ship to the Rizal Memorial Baseball Stadium for the first of the three games to be played there. The stadium is expected to be packed to capacity during the appearance of the big leaguers.

Lavish Entertainment Prepared

Despite the brief stay of the visitors they will be lavishly entertained while in Manila. The party, with the exception of the members mentioned above, will sail from Manila at 6 o'clock on Monday evening.

The players in the party are: Pitchers—Earl Whitehill, (Washington) Clint Brown, (Cleveland) Jose Cascarella, (Philadelphia) and Vernon "Lefty" Gomez, (New York).

Catcher—Charles Berry, (Philadelphia) Harold Warstler, (Philadelphia) Charley Gehrig, (Detroit) Lou Gehrig, (New York).

Outfielders—Jimmy Fox, (Philadelphia) Earl Averill, (Cleveland) Edmund Miller, (Athletics) and Babe Ruth, (New York).

Aside from Mack and the players the party includes wives, baseball officials and newspaper representatives.

Sports Women In Party

Travelling with the party are Mrs. A. J. Reach and Mrs. B. Macfarland, sisters of Mr. John D. Shrive, one of the promoters of the tour, and Mr. and Mrs. Hillerich. Mr. Hillerich is the maker of the Lawtonville Sluggerville Bat, probably the greatest baseball bat ever produced.

Mrs. Reach, mentioned above, is the wife of the well-known American sports manufacturer, A. J. Reach, of A. J. Heach, Wright and Ditson, Inc.

The team and their wives yesterday spent the day sightseeing in the Colony, and remarked that it was a pleasure to leave the bitter cold of Shanghai for the warmth of Hong Kong.



Macao Race Selections

1st Race

Pi Fa
Bold Commander
The Camp

2nd Race

Jungle Jim
Flying Tourist
Wonderful Stag

3rd Race

Fudge
Young Chap
Sarabande

4th Race

Tillium
Solar Star
Hearts Glory

5th Race

What A Chance
Monoplane
Sandy Bay

6th Race

Partnership
Chief Seattle
Great Hall

CIVILIANS AND NAVY IN BEST GAME

CHINESE DEFENCE YET TO LOWER COLOURS

ARMY FORWARDS' BIG TASK

(By "Rover")

HOLDERS of the Lai Wah Cup, and winners of the trophy on six occasions since the inception of the competition in 1925, the Civilians will have to produce their brilliant match-winning form of last year's final, if they are to turn the tables in their favour this afternoon, when they meet the Royal Navy on the Kowloon ground.

In the other semi-final encounter, the Chinese, who are represented by the entire South China "A" team, are almost certain to enter the final where they will probably encounter the Civilians.

With the exception of the Army, comprising the Lincolns, Artillery and East Lanes, the three other Lai Wah Cup teams are of almost even strength.

THE CIVILIANS HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED AT FORWARD BY THE RETURN OF BICKFORD, WHO SHOULD FORM A VALUABLE PARTNERSHIP WITH E. STRANGE ON THE LEFT WING.

A. V. Gosano is an ideal leader and distributes the ball well. In Stephens of the Police he has a very useful partner, while his brother, B. Gosano, on the right wing completes an excellent quintette.

The Navy will be best served at forward, having two excellent wingers in Kiley and Wearmouth, while Cannell is a trier at centre forward. Smith, the inside right may not fare too well against the bustling methods of the Civilians' defence, and Crawford makes his initial appearance in a representative game.

A. V. Gosano The Danger

Pyatt, McGuire and Love are a very good trio of halves, but I doubt whether McGuire can keep pace with A. V. Gosano, once the latter has fallen into his stride. Rycroft and West have played together before, but must make no mistakes if they are to keep their citadel from falling.

In the other Lai Wah Cup fixture, the Chinese, represented by South China "A", the potential League champions, should experience no difficulty in entering the final with a win over the Army.

The Chinese have twice won the competition since its inception. In 1931 when they beat the Civilians and in 1933 when they just managed to vanquish a strong naval eleven.

The South China "A" defence, for such as it is, has so far proved almost impregnable, and I very much doubt whether the Army will be the first ones to lower the colours of the Chinese halves and backs.

Leung And Higgins

Leung Wing-chui, who holds the all-important part of watching Higgins, is an ideal man for the job, while in Leung In-eh and Lee Kwok-wai, the Chinese possess two of the finest wing-halves of the present soccer season.

Tam Kong-pak and Fung King-cheung will have to be very closely marked, while the respective right and left wingers, Tso Kwai-shing

CIVILIANS BRILLIANT RECORD IN LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION

Army And Chinese Each Have Two Wins: Navy Yet To Triumph

The following is the Lai Wah Cup Record since its inception in 1925:—

Year	Civilians	Army	Navy
1925	1	0	0
1926	1	0	0
1927	1	0	0
1928	1	0	0
1929	1	0	0
1930	1	0	0
1931	1	0	0
1932	1	0	0
1933	1	0	0
1934	1	0	0

and Ip Pak-wa, are in a class by themselves, and are quite likely to be as dangerous as any other of the Chinese forwards.

On the other hand, Ridley, Higgins and Edmunds, the Army inside forwards must be held at all costs, for if any of the three break through, the Army supporters can rest assured that they will score.

The wingers have always been a sore point with the Army teams, but in Baldry and English, especially the former, the Army need have no fear of any weakness.

Clever Chinese Forwards

Pardoe will have his work cut out in bottling up Fung King-cheung, while Davies and North, the wing halves, will be fully extended in playing-policemen to Tam Kong-pak and Wong Mei-shun.

Swain of the East Lanes, who has at long last been recognised by the Army selectors, will make Morrison of the Borderers an ideal partner.

The latter will probably prove to be the only thorn in the Chinese attack, for he is now conversant with all their tricks and tactics.

From the spectator's point of view, the game should be fairly interesting, as it is the first Army side for three years to be fully represented by all three regiments, the Lincolns, East Lanes, the Borderers, and the Royal Artillery.

NO PREMIER GAMES TO-DAY

Club Juniors Meet Navy In Good Game

TO-MORROW'S SENIOR GAMES

There are no First Division games down for decision to-day, but to-morrow, the Lincolns and St. Joseph's clash at Kowloon, while the Royal Welch Fusiliers make their debut in local football against the Artillery on the Club ground.

This afternoon the Club juniors are fielding a very strong side to meet the Navy on the Club ground, preceding the Lai Wah Cup game between the Chinese and the Army. Skinner, the Club's premier right half and slipper, makes his first appearance this season in his usual position, while Desmond Hynes, who but recently returned from New Zealand, will strengthen the Club juniors' defence at right full-back partnering Binnie.

This will be the best game to watch to-day, while to-morrow the Third Division clash between the East Lanes, present Division leaders, and the Lincolns, last season's champions, should be worth watching.

ROVER'S FORECAST

"Rover's" forecast of the week-end soccer matches is as follows: To-day

LAI WAH CUP	COMBINED	CIVILIANS
Army	v Army	v Navy
(Club Ground, 3.30 p.m.)		(Kowloon, 3.30 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION	ARTILLERY	ENGINEERS
v Fusiliers	(King's Park, 2.30 p.m.)	v University
(Happy Valley, 2.30 p.m.)		(King's Park, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION	ENGINEERS	Police
(St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.)	v R.A.O.C.	(Kowloon, 2.15 p.m.)
		(Military, H.V., 2.30 p.m.)

TO-MORROW	FIRST DIVISION	ARTILLERY
v St. Joseph's	(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)	v Fusiliers
(Club, 4 p.m.)		

SECOND DIVISION	S. China	THIRD DIVISION
v EAST LANCES	(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)	v R.A.S.C.
		(Railway, 2.30 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION	EAST LANCES	LEAGUE TABLES
v Lincoln	(Railway, 4 p.m.)	

FIRST DIVISION	South China "B"	South China "A"
P.W.L.D.F.A.Pts	10 7 1 2 26 13 16	8 0 0 0 26 5 16

SECOND DIVISION	Lincolns	Borderers
	9 4 1 4 18 15 9	6 2 1 3 18 12 7

THIRD DIVISION	East Lanes	St. Joseph's
	8 1 6 1 12 20 3	7 1 5 1 7 20 3

SECOND DIVISION	Lincolns	East Lanes
	8 0 0 28 9 16	8 7 1 0 35 10 14

THIRD DIVISION	East Lanes	R.A.S.C.
	8 0 0 28 9 16	8 7 1 0 35 10 14

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Fanling Hunt And Race Club Christmas Meeting

The following is the programme for the Fanling Hunt & Race Club at Kwai on December 23:

1.—2.30 p.m. The Volunteers' Hurdle Race. 1½ Miles for China Ponies approved by the Officer Commanding, Machine Gun Troop, as bona fide Troop Ponies kept in Troop Stables. Catchweight 168 lb. To be ridden by Owners.

Winner—A Cup; 2nd—\$50; 3rd—\$20. Entry Fee \$5.

2.—3.00 p.m. The Tai Po Handicap Race. 1½ Miles 3 Furlongs for China Ponies.

Winner—A Cup; 2nd—\$50; 3rd—\$20. Entry Fee \$5.

3.—3.30 p.m. The Tally Ho Hurdle Race. 1½ Miles for China Ponies, Hunters, that have completed at least 5 lines this season. Winners of stake money in an Official or Unofficial race since September 1st barred. Catchweight 168 lb.

Winner—A Cup; 2nd—\$50; 3rd—\$20. Entry Fee \$5.

4.—4.00 p.m. The Ladies' Sturry. ¼ Mile for China Ponies approved as Bona Fide Polo Ponies. Winners of Stake Money in an Official or Unofficial Race since September 1st barred. Weight for Inches as per Scale. To be ridden by ladies (no spurs allowed).

Winner—A Cup; 2nd—\$50; 3rd—\$20. A Cup will be presented to the winning rider. Entry Fee \$5.

5.—4.30 p.m. The St. John's Cup. Over approximately 8 miles of fair hunting country, starting and finishing on the Race Course. For China Ponies. Catchweight—168 lb.

Winner—A Cup; 2nd—\$50; 3rd—\$20. Entry Fee \$5.

Entries close to the Secretaries Messrs. Thomson & Company, York Buildings, on MONDAY, DECEMBER 10th, AT NOON.

THE ALL WHITE SLAZENGER

By the Clubman

THE Great White Racket Riddle of Wimbledon is solved at last. I can give you the solution today. Everyone has been puzzling and asking the why and wherefore of the gleaming white-bound racket favoured by the British seeded players and certain others of the stars. I have heard it quite acridly suggested that the all-covering white binding is a new device for "keeping the racket waterproof". Another, rather more facetious suggestion was that the racket had been hand-painted the colour of a white mouse. Actually the racket is the very latest thing in tennis equipment—a masterpiece of the craftsman's art.

The white effect is produced by a special solution covering all the binding and extending down to the grip of the handle. It adds that extra fraction of strength and "juice" to the racket which attracts the choice of the stars, even on the look-out for something to add just a bit more to their game. The making of the new "white hope" among rackets is a much more difficult job than the ordinary kind, I am told.

The weight of the solution—hardly noticeable to the touch but a vital thing to the craftsman—has to be allowed for from the first stages, as once applied it cannot be altered. The slightest error in "the Slazenger" and the racket is "waste".

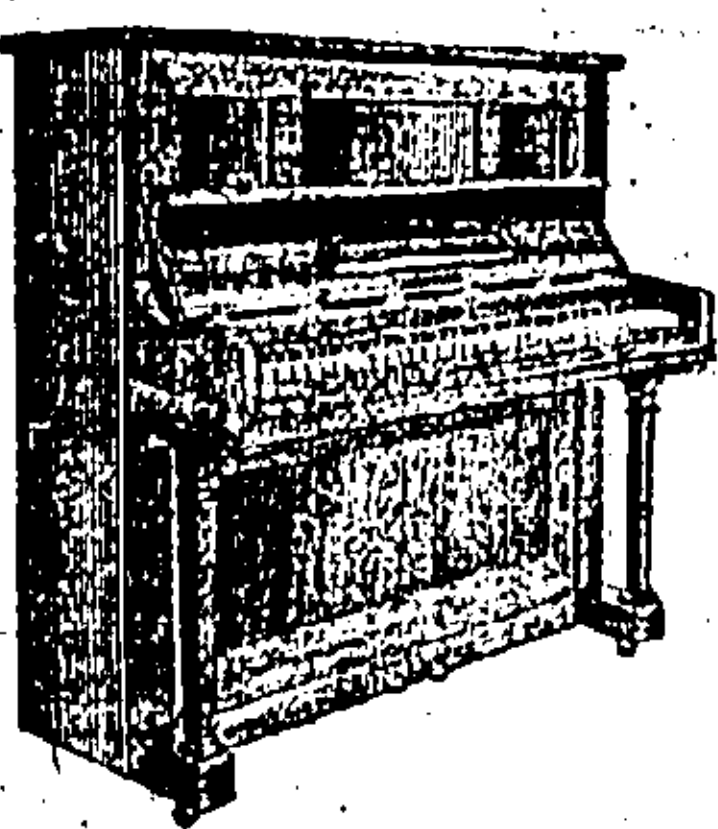
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BRITISH TENNIS RANKING LISTS ANALYSED

H.K. WHEELERS OUT TO FURTHER CYCLING INTEREST

Profit By Disbandment
Of First Club

KEATES AND STEAD NEW
MEMBERS

(Contributed)

The surprising disbandment of the Hong Kong Cycling Club will doubtless be a great disappointment to local enthusiasts in general, but it is hoped that in consequence the interest shown in the Colony will not wane.

Incidentally, by reason of this, the Hong Kong Wheelers now become the only established Cycling Club in the Colony (on the presumption that the Chinese club in Shamshuipo has not yet commenced activities), while with a membership near the half-century figure it is without question the largest organisation of its kind in China. The Wheelers have made steady progress since their inauguration in September last. Recent activities have been confined to short social spins to such localities as Tai-po and Castle Peak, while several enjoyable rides have been arranged on the Island.

Winter Programme

December marks the commencement of the Wheelers' Winter Programme of social activities. In addition to the usual weekly runs, social evenings will be arranged in conjunction with other local sporting bodies, at which such pastimes as billiards, etc. will be indulged in. A smoking concert may also be arranged in the usual "Cycling Club" style at which any awards won by members will be presented. It is hoped to make this "smoker" an annual affair—a smaller edition of the cyclists' "All-Rounder Concert" held in January each year at the Albert Hall.

Next Sunday's Run

Next Sunday's run has been arranged to leave Jordan Road Ferry at 9.15 a.m. sharp. Fanling and Sheung-shui are to be visited by way of Tai-po, at which point refreshments will be enjoyed on both outward and homeward trips. Several items of interest are to be visited in the locality and, in addition to refreshments, participants are strongly advised to carry a camera. Many happy memories of these runs stored pictorially in such manner will undoubtedly prove of immense interest in the future, and serve to remind their owners of the pleasant comradeship and wonderful scenery enjoyed on runs with the Wheelers.

Keates Joins Wheelers

It will be no surprise to anyone to hear that the Colony's premier racing and touring cyclist, H. A. G. Keates, has not retired from further activity in the sport. Consequent on the disbandment of the Cycling Club immediate application was made to join the Wheelers. In his already lengthy cycling career the Ulster cyclist has played many parts, for, in addition to his outstanding successes in competition, Keates enjoys a reputation as an efficient organiser, while his journalistic abilities on cycling subjects have confounded the critics in all quarters. This combination of talents has made it possible for him to put up such a splendid fight on cycling's behalf in the Far East, a fight which will not finish with the end of the Cycling Club. Keates's valuable experiences will be a great asset to the Wheelers' management, and will give a fillip to the racing side of the organisation. Incidentally, Keates has expressed his willingness to conduct Sunday's run, and extends a warm welcome to all local enthusiasts who desire to participate.

Attendances And Mileage

Amongst several new members acquired as a result of the recent troop movements, the Wheelers have also been fortunate in interesting C. Stead. He has had considerable experience with cycling clubs in Scotland, and his assistance will be most welcome. The Wheelers' official attendances and mileage list is appended. Evidently organised runs have been carried out.

Attendances	Mileage
T. A. Wallis	18
D. M. Keates	18
E. M. Keates	18
C. Stead	18
H. Tribe	18

The Third Annual Lightweight Show was held at the Royal Horti-



CAPT. CUTLER WINS GOLF TITLE

14 Stroke Advantage In
Services Contest

ANNUAL FANLING MEETING

Capt. S. G. Cutler won the United Services Golf Championship yesterday at Fanling by no less a margin than 14 strokes.

The following were the results of Thursday's games:

36 holes Championship.—Capt. S. G. Cutler, R.M., 74+88=162; Lt. Cdr. E. J. James, R.N., 85+86=171; Lt. Col. M. J. Williamson, R.A.M.C., 85+87=172; Capt. P. Trimble, R.A.M.C., 87+85=172.
36 holes Handicap.—Lt. Winkfield, R.E., 88+82=170; Lt. Jones, 2/East Lanes, 94+92=186; Lt. Cdr. Browning, R.M., 87+91=178; Lt. Col. M. J. Williamson, R.A.M.C., 85+87=162.
18 holes Handicap (Old Course).—Cdr. D. N. Tuftnell, R.N., 86+10=96; Lt. Cdr. H. W. S. Browning, R.N., 87+11=98; Lt. Jones, 2/East Lanes, 94+18=112; Lt. Winkfield, R.E., 83+12=95.
18 holes Handicap (New Course).—Lt. Jones, 2/East Lanes, 82+18=100; Lt. Campbell, R.N., 84+9=93; Major J. Wren, A.D. Corps, 83+8=91; Fl. Lt. Hargreaves, R.A.F., 94+12=106.

Veterans' Competition.—Lt. Col. M. J. Williamson, R.A.M.C., 85+8=93; Lt. Col. J. Fasken, R.A.S.C., 95+15=110; Capt. E. F. B. Law, R.N., 93+10=103.

Yesterday's Play

Matches played yesterday resulted: Bobby Singles.—Cdr. H. S. Roome, R.N., 1 up; Capt. P. Trimble, 1 up; Cdr. D. N. C. Tuftnell, R.N., all square; Lt. P. Ramus, R.A., all square; Cdr. W. G. Cowland, R.N., 1 down.

Bogey Foursomes.—Cdr. Cowland and Capt. Law, 1 up; Surg. Lt. Cdr. Horan and Lt. Moore, 1 up; Cdr. E. Roome and Lt. Cdr. Moir, all square; Capt. Gell and Lt. Newnham, 2 down.

At the conclusion, the prizes were presented by Col. Carrington-Sykes, R.A.

LADIES' CAPTAIN'S CUP AT FANLING

Mrs. Webb Qualifies

In the Captain's Cup competition organised by the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, Mrs. Webb with a score of 89-22=111 qualified.

Mrs. J. B. Ross (77-7=84) won the Eclectic Pool.

The result of the draw for the Taggart Cup Competition is as follows:

First Round.—Mrs. Hudson v. Mrs. Sommers; Mrs. Dovey v. Mrs. Newbigging; Mrs. Forbes v. Mrs. Gilmore; Mrs. Richards v. Mrs. Fitzgerald.
Byes into Second Round.—Mrs. Rodgers v. Mrs. Rowell; Mrs. Nevill v. Miss Knill; Miss Curtin v. Mrs. Valentine; Mrs. Lissaman v. Mrs. Hillier; Mrs. Walker v. Miss Steenson; Mrs. Robertson v. Mrs. A. S. Mitchell.

The first round is to be played by December 22; the second round by January 5; the third round by January 19; and the semi-final by January 31.

cultural Hall, Westminster, London, from October 27 until November 3. Considerable advancement in durability was very evident. A frame made from this alloy by the Tabuchi Tyre Company turned the scale at 4 lbs. only. The same firm, who are specialists in the extreme lightweight business, exhibited a brake, complete weighing only 8-ozs. 15 lbs. machine.

GULF BETWEEN BEST MEN PLAYERS

WARWICKSHIRE YOUTH
AT NO. 5

(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

London, November 2.
The Lawn Tennis Association yesterday issued the ranking lists for 1934, based on performances in singles from April 2 to Oct. 6, as follows:

MEN
1. F. J. Perry (1)
2. H. W. Austin (2)
3. G. P. Hughes (4)
4. N. Sharpe (—)
5. C. E. Hare (—)
6. E. R. Avery (7)
7. E. C. Peters (11)
8. F. H. D. Wilde (6)
9. R. J. Ritchie (—)
10. D. G. Freshwater (—)
K. C. Gandar Dover (—)
C. R. D. Tuckey (9)
I. G. Collins and H. G. N. Lee not ranked owing to insufficient data.

WOMEN
1. Miss D. E. Round (1)
2. Miss M. C. Scriven (2)
3. Miss K. E. Stammers (4)
4. Miss M. R. King (5)
5. Miss F. James (12)
6. Miss N. M. Lyle (9)
7. Miss B. Nuthall (3)
8. Mrs. E. F. Whittington (6)
9. Mrs. J. B. Pittman (11)
10. Miss E. M. Dearman (10)
11. Miss R. M. Hardwick (—)
12. Miss S. Noel (—)
Miss J. C. Ridley (8)

The figures in parentheses denote the positions in the 1933 lists. The conditions under which the list is made are wide enough to test the individual capacity of players. They do not necessarily indicate the relative strength of the same field at the beginning of the next competitive season, for form at lawn tennis, except perhaps in the highest class, is peculiarly mercurial. Under modern conditions it cannot fail to be influenced by varying surface and climate.

AUTOMATIC SELECTIONS
The top players in both lists have selected themselves. All are champions—Perry of three continents; Austin, the holder of the covered court title; Miss Round, the winner at Wimbledon; and Miss Scriven, the champion of France.

Between Perry and Austin and those who follow on the men's side is a gulf that will need filling if our recently acquired laurels are to

be held against the world challenge. There are three new names on the list this year, and that is a healthy sign; but the competition for the first and second places should be keener and the evidence of junior progress more real if the example set by Perry and Austin is to bear fruit.

It may be noted that two players with the speediest service, Freshwater and Tuckey, are low down on the table. They ought with their equipment to be higher, and one fancies they both might be if their strokes were co-ordinated a little more—if, for example, the last shot fired in a rally was as firmly under control as the first.

The position of C. E. Hare at No. 5 is doubtless due to his defeats of Perry and Merin at the beginning of the year. The merit of these victories has since been qualified, but Hare has potentialities far above the average. Next year, provided he selects the best practice, his advance should be substantial.

INCONSISTENT FORM
The classification of the women players after the first two could not be an enviable task. Form has been markedly inconsistent. Mrs. King, for example, has beaten both Miss Round and Miss Scriven on non-turf courts, while losing to Mrs. Pittman on covered courts—a defeat, by the way, which came after the period allotted to the judges. Few will question the promotion of Miss James or the inclusion of two new names in Miss Hardwick and Miss Noel. Some of the better known, although still young, competitors have lost ground; this depression has been registered.

The fact remains that in a match of twelve aside, whatever the result of the Wightman Cup may have been, England can meet any of the countries in the world with every prospect of victory.

BRITISH I. C. WIN IN HOLLAND

Austin's Good Form
In Singles

DUTCH ACES TROUNCED
(By A. WALLIS MYERS)

Amsterdam, Nov. 12.
The International Club, maintaining its unbeaten record on the Continent, defeated the International Club of Holland at Amsterdam in a two-day encounter by 12 matches to 2.

The new covered courts are lighted and heated on modern lines, and the contest attracted an exceptionally large crowd, especially on Saturday evening, when many football enthusiasts attended. H. W. Austin, the visiting captain, was in fine form. On the first day he defeated T. Hughes, runner-up for the Dutch championship this year, by 6-1, 6-1, and to-day he beat A. Eschvitz, the Belgian champion and winner of the recent Clemen-tine tournament, by 6-2, 6-2. Avery also beat Lacroix in two sets (6-4, 6-3), while C. R. D. Tuckey and R. K. Tinkler won their singles matches in two sets.

Bernard's French Success
Paris, November 12.—Marcel Bernard, who gained an unexpected victory over Jean Bittora, won the All-Saints Tournament here yesterday, beating André Merin, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1, in the final.—Reuter.

\$20,000 A YEAR LAWN TENNIS PLAYER

H. E. Vines To Retire
At 30?

H. Ellsworth Vines, former Wimbledon singles champion, landed at Plymouth on November 12 for the professional lawn tennis tournament at Wembley. "I have no regrets at turning professional," he said. "I'll still play the same friendly and keep the same company. I hope to continue in case at 30. I'll make \$20,000 in his first two years as a professional. I am told I am well on the way to making that in my first year as a paid player."

Sporting Chatter

(By GEOFFREY SIMPSON)

CRICKET lovers will rejoice that Maurice Leyland, that great little Yorkshireman of the broad shoulders and stout heart, is to receive £3,600 from his benefit of last season.

Yorkshire certainly does its cricket heroes proud. Leyland's benefit is the third highest in the county history, and remembering his great work for England in the Tests everyone is delighted.

Leyland's left-handed batting may not have the grace or polish of Woolley's—but what a fighter! The paying over of such a handsome cheque could not have been made at a more appropriate time. Most people are agreed that Leyland stole most of the batting honours in the big games last summer, and the memory of his deeds is still fresh.

BACK TO THE WALL
LEYLAND hit centuries against Australia of 109, 153 and 110—and he did so in adverse circumstances.

Not once was he able to walk to the crease and go for the bowling in his usual aggressive, cheeky style.

Always he had to restrain natural instincts in the interest of his side. In the first Test he defended his wicket in stubborn silence for 70 minutes in partnership with Ames in a gallant effort to prevent an Australian victory. He missed his goal by ten minutes!

Then at the Oval, when we were taking such an awful hiding, he came out and thumped the bowling for a century.

HIS UNRUFFLED CALM
THERE are cricketers who must as well as his fat cheeks. Omens, incidents, the state of the game, or a wearing wicket—these things mean nothing to him.

In one of the Tests he was 99 not out at close of play. "Are you worried about that odd run?" someone asked.

"Worried? What for?" exclaimed Leyland in genuine surprise. "The hundredth run is always easier to get than the first."

And off home he went to sleep the deep sleep of contentment. He got his run all right.

NEW LBW LAW
LEYLAND is of similar character to the late Roy Kilner, and Yorkshire's tribute to Kilner when his benefit came along was £4,017.

This stands as a record, but George Hirst collected £3,703 from one of his benefits, Sutcliffe £3,056, Holmes £2,820, and Robinson £2,205.

No wonder so many professionals wish they had been born in Yorkshire!

UNLUCKY PLAYER
IT is hard luck on the Light Blues to lose J. H. Bowman, their big righty forward, for the remainder of the season.

It is even worse luck for Bowman, who would have been well in the running for an international cap had he kept fit. He was tremendously fast in the loose as well as a hard worker in the scrum.

Bowman has developed serious knee trouble, and the removal of a cartilage has not been completely satisfactory. His doctor says that a further injury might have serious consequences, and he has advised him to give up the game.

VINES WINS PARIS PRO TENNIS FINAL

Paris, Dec. 1.
The American lawn tennis star Ellsworth Vines yesterday won the final of the Paris professional tournament, defeating the German player Nusslein by 6/3, 6/3, 6/2.

FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB OPEN MEETING

The opening meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club will take place on Sunday, December 23 and that amongst other events a race for the St. John's Cup will be run, and the St. John's Sweep will be drawn. The Public are reminded that tickets for this Sweep must be purchased as soon as possible.

MILLION DOLLAR SWINDLE

French Police Expose Gambling "Racket"

SHANGHAI GANG ARRESTED

One of the most audacious swindles ever attempted in Shanghai, based on the purported possibility of obtaining permission from the French authorities to operate gambling houses in the French Concession, was exposed on December 4 by the French police after long and cleverly conducted investigations.

For some time reports have been in circulation that, in view of the impending departure for France on long leave of M. Meyrier, French Consul-General, authority could be obtained from his successor for opening gambling houses in the Concession.

These reports came to the ears of the French police who quietly investigated, and contact was established with a Chinese named Pei, who claimed to be an adviser to Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Minister to Paris.

Frail Clue Followed

Following up this clue, the French police detailed a detective to play the part of an interested party and on November 30 he participated in a conference with suspected persons in an hotel in Rue Hue, the detective posing as a man able to obtain finances for such an undertaking.

Pei, according to official reports, declared he could obtain licences which would bring in a regular income of \$225,000, but the stipulation was laid down that the interested and alleged responsible parties required substantial bank deposits.

\$1,000,000 Bank Deposit

The French detective played his part perfectly as a go-between and the same night another appointment was fixed in a restaurant in North Szechuen Road and another interview was arranged for December 1 when another detective attended in the role of a "sleeping partner."

During this interview, the swindlers, eight in number, attended and the original terms were confirmed but the demand was made that in order to complete the arrangements a bank deposit of \$1,000,000 was needed. Police agents pretended to fall in with the arrangement and a contract was drawn up, with the pseudo-financier giving his consent on the promise that another Chinese named Tseu, who was not present at the interview, would be responsible for the necessary arrangements with the French Consul-General.

Detectives Hidden In Room

In undertaking this exposure, the French authorities had already laid their plans, and at this moment five detectives hidden in other rooms, suddenly raided the room and arrested the entire gang.

At the nearest police station to which they were taken they were examined and they admitted the facts of the case and swore that they were merely seeking funds for opening up gambling houses in the French Concession. On them were found documents of great importance referring to the organisation of the game of "Thirty-six Bonuses."

\$45,000 A Month Asked

During the investigations, one of the prisoners actually declared that as the present Consul-General was about to go on leave the new Consul-General, on the instructions of the French Government, would authorise the opening of five gambling houses but the operators of these establishments would be obliged to turn in a sum of \$45,000 a month to cover expenses.

In connection with this case, the French police point out that these rumours are absolutely without substance or foundation, and that it should be definitely understood that no gambling houses are, or will be, tolerated in the French Concession no matter who are the people behind these claims or what nationalities they claim.

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The Peel Engineering Laboratory

DISTINGUISHED GATHERING

The Peel Engineering Laboratory, an additional building to the Hong Kong University, was officially opened yesterday afternoon, by His Excellency, the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.B.E., K.C.M.G., as Chancellor of the University, in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering.

Situated in Pokfulam Road, adjacent to the Ho Tung Workshop, the Peel Engineering Laboratory will now enable the University authorities to give instruction in applied science equal to that obtainable in any part of the world.

Promptly at 4 p.m., His Excellency the Governor, attended by his A.D.C., Capt. R. F. Walter, R.A., arrived at the gate of the Laboratory, and was received by Sir William Horne (Vice-Chancellor of the University), Professor C. A. Middleton-Smith (Dean of the Faculty of Engineering), and Mr. A. S. MacKichan (of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, the architects).

At the invitation of the Vice-Chancellor, His Excellency opened the door of the building with a key presented to him by Mr. MacKichan. The gathering then filed into the building.

A speech of welcome was delivered by Professor Middleton-Smith.

The Guests

The following was the list of guests: His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.B.E., K.C.M.G., His Excellency Major General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and Mrs. Borrett; Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.B.E., C.M.G., His Honour Mr. A. D. MacGregor, Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga and Miss Braga; Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau; Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall and Mrs. Kotewall; Hon. Mr. T. H. King and Mrs. King; Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie; Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes and Miss Owen Hughes; Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith; Hon. Mr. E. Taylor; Hon. Mr. S. W. T'eb and Mrs. T'eb; Right Rev. Bishop H. Valtorta, His Honour Mr. Justice P. Jackson, Mr. D. W. Trautman, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lloyd, Mr. Tang Shun-kin, Professor and Mrs. K. H. Digby, Professor W. Brown, Professor and Mrs. G. T. Byrne, Professor and Mrs. L. Forster, Professor and Mrs. J. L. Shellshear, Professor and Mrs. L. T. Ride, Professor and Mrs. E. Robertson, Professor and Mrs. C. A. Middleton-Smith, Rev. Father D. Macdonald, S.J., Rev. Father G. Byrne, S.J., Rev. Dr. E. L. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mr. En Tong-sen, Lieutenant Hebert, Mr. A.D.C., Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Archbutt, Mr. and Mrs. S. Cassidy, Dr. R. M. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. S. Kan Tong-po, Mr. and Mrs. S. Lau, Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. de Martin, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. de Rome, Mr. G. R. and Mrs. Sayer, Mr. J. H. Mrs. and Miss Seth, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Knight, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wong Tape, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. C. North, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. P. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Wynne-Jones, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Mr. J. W. Franks, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Evans, Dr. Mrs. and Miss Strahan, Mr. and Mrs. S. Izgalsden, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. MacKichan, Pliht Lt. and Mrs. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Walker.

LADY SOUTHERN AS HOSTESS

Women's International Club Tea Party

Lady Southern was the hostess at a tea given to the members of the Women's International Club at the Club rooms, Chung Tin Building, yesterday afternoon.

Five members from the Canton Women's International Club were present. Among them were Mrs. Lee (President) and Mrs. Kunkle, who has a very large interest in the Canton Club.

Lady Southern made a brief speech after tea.

SMOKELESS COAL IN NORTH CHINA

Former Makes Valuable Discovery

Smokeless coal is reported to have been discovered in the Tangshan mining district according to a Tientsin message. A farmer is said to have picked up a piece of black stone and used it for cooking his humble meal. The result was that experts were sent to investigate and have found rich deposits of this smokeless fuel in the Chuntzechen area which will provide work for miners for the next thirty or forty years. It is further stated that this deposit is superior to that being mined in the Tangshan district.



Boysish King Peter II, successor to his assassinated father's perilous seat on the Yugoslavian throne, is already finding it necessary to keep a firm grip on his new crown to keep it from slipping off. With the death of King Alexander, a regency consisting of the slain king's cousin, Prince Paul, and two politicians was formed to help the boy king rule until he becomes of age. The Serbian army staff, however, assertedly dislikes the idea of a child monarch during the present turbulent conditions in Europe, and looks to Prince George, elder brother of Alexander, as more appropriate ruler. Prince George gave up his rights to the throne several years ago.

FUNERAL OF MR. JOHN PAU

Large Gathering At Graveside

The funeral of the late Mr. John Pau Chung-lai, alias Pau Shiu, of No. 24 Canal Road West, who died on Wednesday, took place yesterday, at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, the Rev. Lee Lau-yan officiating.

The chief mourners were the deceased's wife and his children. Among those present at the funeral were, Dr. Chow Wai-chung, Mr. J. S. H. Wan, Secretary, Italian Consulate, and Mrs. Wan, members of the St. Stephen's Church, St. Paul's Church and St. Mary's Church, the pupils of St. Agne's Girls' College and many others.

Wreaths were sent by the following:—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Awa and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bolt, Dr. Chow Wai-chung, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. H. Wan, Tong Ping-kwan, C. J. Yeung and Cisey Wong, Misses A. Lowcock and N. S. Sung, Tse Kwong-yiu, Mr. and Mrs. Yeung Shiu-chuen, Miss Lo Ng Chi-sam, Grace Soo, W. A. Choy, Y. W. Lee, S. N. Poon, Wong Yuk-ying, May and Henry Lo, Yuk Cheong, Mrs. Broadbridge and family, Pun Ping-leung, Yeung Shiu-chuen and Tse-han.

The deceased, who has been attached to the Hong Kong Jockey Club for the past 35 years or so, is survived by a wife and four children. The late Mr. Pau's eldest son, Peter, is at present in England studying law.

The others, who are well-known locally, include Mr. John Pau, B.A., who is a teacher at King's College, Dr. Lily Pau of the Government Civil Hospital, Miss Agnes Pau, B.A., the headmistress of St. Agne's Girls' College, and Mr. Henry Pau, who is studying engineering at the Hong Kong University.

DR. C. W. HARVEY PASSES

For 24 Years Secretary Of "Y" In China

News of the death of Dr. Charles W. Harvey, 24 years secretary of the Y.M.C.A. in China, at West Chester, Pa. on November 29, has reached the Colony.

Mr. Harvey is survived by his wife and two children, one of whom is Mr. Paul Harvey who has for some time been connected with the American Oriental Bank and has recently been transferred to the branch of that bank in Tientsin.

WAITED 30 YEARS FOR STAMP

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A cheerful little Frenchman, who for thirty years has longed to possess one square inch of paper, has left London with his ambition achieved—at a cost of £1,200.

The scrap of paper is a one franc Vervelle stamp. It was one of the French section of the famous Hind collection which is being sold in London.

Ninety-nine people out of a hundred would throw such a stamp away after a cursory glance.

It is joined to three others, but the block is the only one of its kind in the world.

The bottom right-hand stamp is upside down. It is perfectly printed, and if torn away from the rest would be indistinguishable from the other three.

The four stamps were, the centre stamps of a sheet of one hundred which was found when the printed died. They are bright vermilion in colour. M. Champion, who bought them, has been waiting thirty years to do so, because only the death of the owner has made it possible.

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NEVER HEARD OF MAE WEST

Famous Star To Visit Great Britain

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Manchester.

Mae West is coming up to see us sometime—soon.

Film fans, who will go crazy at the news, will be amazed to learn that until last month a lot of people in Manchester had never heard of her.

Mae will make her first appearance in London on Boxing Day in a revue written by herself, and then she will visit Manchester, Glasgow, Leeds, Newcastle and Liverpool.

The man who has persuaded Mae, Hollywood's siren of invitation fame, is Mr. Francis Mangan, of Paramount. He has just returned from the United States.

Miss West does not like the sea. She has frequently refused to come to England because of the ocean voyage.

It was suggested that some objection might be made to Miss West's visit, but views of prominent people interviewed in Manchester gave the impression that there was no likelihood of any organised protest.

Why Not?

Here are some of the views:—

Councillor Joe Toole (member of the Watch Committee): I see no reason why Miss West should not be allowed to visit the city. If it is wrong to allow her to appear on the stage then it is equally wrong to allow her films to be shown.

The Rev. Herbert Cooper, superintendent of Manchester and Salford Methodist Mission: I have never heard of the lady, but it is extremely unlikely that local Methodists will make any protest against her visit.

The Rev. T. H. Barrett, chairman of First Manchester Methodist District: I know nothing about the lady.

Canon Green: I don't go to the pictures and have never heard of her.

The Dean of Manchester (Dr. Garfield Williams): I have never heard of the lady.

Rev. Ronald Royle (Rector of Our Lady and St. Thomas, Gorton): I have heard that there have been objections to one of her pictures, but as I have not seen it I cannot make any comment on it. In all probability she is a very estimable woman in private life. I read recently in her reminiscences that she is a regular churchgoer.

Trout Hardihood Demonstrated

Alive After Drop Of 1,500 Ft. From Plane

Montreal.

Experiments which demonstrate the hardihood of trout have been conducted by Mr. Gustave Prevost, of the department of Biology in the University of Montreal.

In restocking lakes and rivers with trout he sought a speedier method than that hitherto used. Aeroplanes were suggested, but it was thought that fish falling into the water from a height at high speed could not survive.

Mr. Prevost resolved on a test. Trout were first dropped from 200ft. These fish were recovered and found alive.

Tests were then undertaken from 1000ft. and later from 1500ft. The trout did not appear to have been troubled in the least, even after striking the water at 75 miles an hour.

One final experiment was tried. Trout were dropped in a container which smashed on contact with the water. The trout survived even this shock and gave no sign of having suffered any inconvenience.

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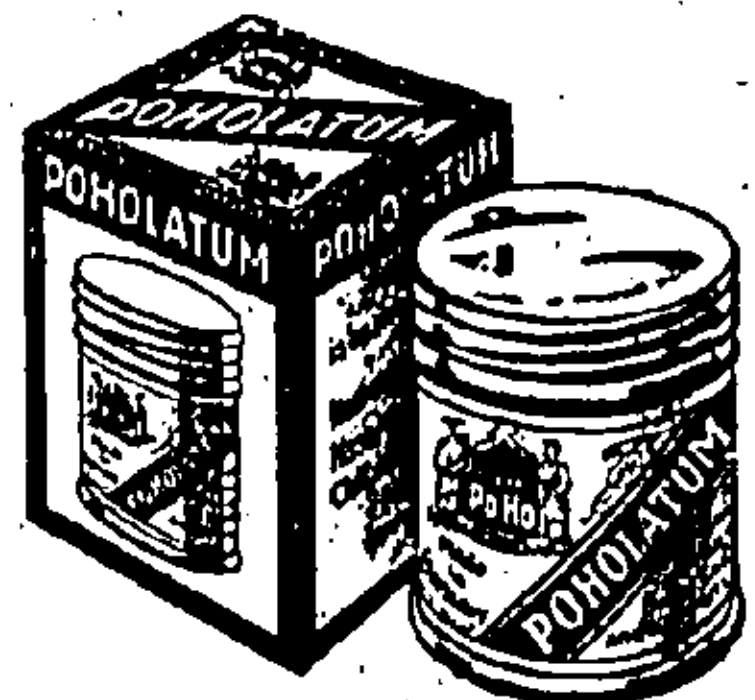
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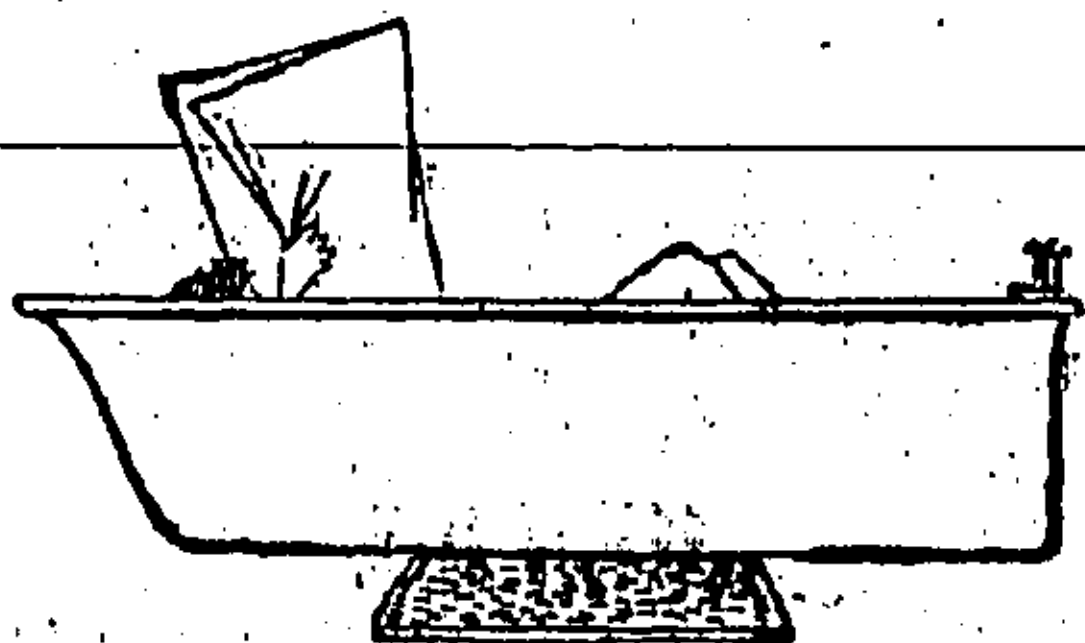
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Intervention

The offer by the British Government to send a contingent of regular troops to help in maintaining order in the Saar is a big precedent which may have big results. A couple of battalions may not be a very imposing force; but even a corporal's guard is an important contingent if it is known that it will be supported should circumstances call for reinforcements. The whole of the Saar controversy is only another example of the danger and inconvenience of conducting diplomacy by means of Press propaganda. The date of the plebiscite and all the necessary details were appointed so long ago as 1919; it is quite clear that the French Government is not only willing but anxious to get the whole business completed in an orderly and legal manner; and it is also clear that on second thoughts the other party to the dispute has decided that nothing is to be done by threats and bluster such as were used at the big demonstration on the frontier a few weeks ago. The whole of the rest of what was only recently a very ugly menace to peace is the result of deliberate sensationalism outside of the area concerned; and the presence of a small international force of British, Italian, and Belgian troops will probably secure that the vote will pass off quietly.

The deductions from the easing off of tension which has already occurred in Europe, and which will be much greater if all goes well, are of great interest in the discussion of the main problem of the day, the prevention of war. As against the extreme pacifist who is opposed to all military forces, the incident makes it clear that it would not be possible to manage every controversial decision by dropping a vote into a ballot box, unless there was somewhere a policeman and a soldier in the background. One can only say that men are made that way, and that governments have to deal with men as they are. But there are other deductions which are not quite so truistic, if we remember that an ounce of precedent is worth a ton of theory.

The first is that, putting aside a few small incidents that are much less impressive than an intervention in the interior of Europe, this is the first example of the organisation of an international force to protect the reign of law. What sent down

the influence of the League to zero was the impression that its decisions even when it did make any, were only academic. Poland in the affair of Vilna, Italy by her bombardment of Isonzo, Japan in Manchuria, showed that in their opinion academic decisions were not enough; and in any case it had become clear that if decisions were to be so slow they would only come when the damage had been done. In this case the decision has come in time to affect the issue; the policy of securing the execution of treaty obligations is one that all can understand and approve; and the precedent of using international force to help the League in a difficulty is one that may have great extension. It will be recalled that it was the policy approved by a swamping majority at the recent Conference of the Labour Party, when they repealed their former decision to call a general strike rather than support any war whatsoever. It is a policy of preventive inoculation against world wars which seem the only other alternative.

The new move is also of great importance to England, and will be certain to arouse lively argument. The present attitude of the ordinary man with whom rests the final control of these great matters is that under no circumstances should England engage to protect anybody's boundaries on the Continent, or ally herself with any other Power. If the effect of doing so is to place in other men's hands the decision whether we are to fight or not. We have not yet finished paying for the last war, much less forgotten it. England has all to lose and nothing to gain by any war in Europe; and in the Dominions the chance of being drawn into a needless war is even now the main weapon of those who are in favour of "cutting the painter."

Downing Street is therefore in a difficult position, for geography alone, to say nothing of history and finance and commerce, forbids England to cut herself entirely adrift from Europe. When our ancestors acquired territory "in a fit of absence of mind" all over the world; they did not anticipate an age when telegraph and aircraft would make distant incidents concern us almost as closely as if they had happened in our own backyard. But nonetheless they could not move London out of the sphere of European affairs, and London still is the heart of the British Commonwealth of Nations. It has seemed recently as though conflicting responsibilities had destroyed the nerves at the nerve centre; but there is no reason to suppose that either in the Dominions or in Washington whose co-operation is so important in other open questions will this new departure be either misunderstood or disapproved.

HERE, THERE — EVERYWHERE

COUNTING THEIR CHICKENS

It is not merely naval experts that Japan has sent to England. Three Japanese poultry experts have arrived to demonstrate a new method of determining the sex of a newly hatched chicken.

This method which is of obvious importance to the farmer has been tried in Japan for some time. It is claimed to be infallible.

A trained "chicken-toucher," it is said, can deal with 10,000 chickens a day. He makes more than £80 a month.

Canada, Australia and France have all invited these experts to give them practical tests.

TRAINING THE CHINESE

The Chinese should like Captain A. V. Morse, who has been appointed head of the British Naval Mission which is to train the Chinese navy.

"Tony" Morse, who won the D.S.O. at the landing on Gallipoli, is tall, athletic and good-looking. He is an expert at all those handy jobs for which naval men are famed. He has a son at Dartmouth.

In the Chinese navy he will have the rank of a commodore and will wear Chinese uniform. It is similar to but heavier than the British uniform. In the British uniform the gold is sewn on to the blue serge. In the Chinese the serge is fixed on to the gold.

Your Daily Smile!

The Woman (departing): "Now, don't bother to come any farther—you'd have to get a platform ticket." The Man (meaning well): "That's all right. It's worth more than a penny to see you off."

Fido's Reply

Lady (handing dog over to railway guard): "Now, before you give him his meals, I want you to say 'Did-dum Dinkle went 'oos dindums.' And if he yawns, he's not quite ready."

The Moon and the Tide

Inquiring Schoolboy: "Daddy, what effect does the moon have on the tide?" Dad (from the depths of his newspaper): "Not any, son. The only effect it has is on the untid."

The Recruit

Drill Sergeant: "Now, take this rifle, and find out how to use it." Recruit: "Tell me one thing. Is it true that the harder I pull the trigger, the farther the bullet will go?"

"PURE RACES NEVER MUCH GOOD"

Mr. Leonard Woolley's
Deduction

MIXTURE NECESSARY FOR ART

The theory that a mixture of races is necessary for the production of great art was advanced by Mr. Leonard Woolley, the excavator of Ur of the Chaldees. He was delivering the second of a course of six lectures on "Ur and the Development of Sumerian Art," arranged by the Institute of Archaeology at the Courtauld Institute of Art, London.

Mr. Woolley argued that the great outburst of Mesopotamian "nationalistic" art, which began more than 5,000 years ago, sprang from a mixture of three races—one from central Asia, one from northern Syria, and one from Anatolia.

"It is a curious thing," he said, "that a pure race never seems to be much good in the world, and a queer contradiction of some of the political cries which we are now hearing from some other countries." The culmination of Mr. Woolley's lecture was a slide showing an alabaster vase, a work of which any craftsman of any age might justly have been proud. It showed, in successive tiers of low relief, a procession of men bearing sacrificial offerings, and cattle, and corn as symbols of prosperity.

The vase, he explained, had been recovered during last season's excavations at Warka, not far from Ur. It was accompanied by a series of carved cylinder seals, only three-quarters of an inch wide, which showed, Mr. Woolley stated, that it already permeated every phase of Sumerian life.

PRINCE OF WALES ON SAFARI ADVENTURES WITH RIFLE AND CAMERA IN HEART OF WILD AFRICA

(By Rene MacColl)

WHEN the Prince of Wales shot his first elephant in East Africa, it proved a disappointment to him. He said that elephant shooting was not a "one-man show," that it was too easy and unexciting, and that it was better fun altogether to film an elephant than to kill one.

But, comments Mr. Patrick Chalmers, "he was later to learn otherwise." Nor was it a question of "learning" otherwise about elephants alone. During the Prince's African visits in 1928 and 1930—his homeward journey to the King's sick-bed intervened—a thrilling moment or so has been hinted at. But in a book published to-day, which has been compiled from the Prince's own private diaries ("Sport and Travel in East Africa," by Patrick R. Chalmers; Philip Allan, 12s 6d), we may now read for the first time in detail of the extent and variety of the Prince's startlingly narrow escapes.

Night By The River

An absorbing story it makes. After the Prince had killed his first elephant in Uganda his party had to find its way back to Kigoya in the dark.

"All around the bush was alive. Dozens of animals, great and small, came down to drink. They were harmless enough probably; but in the dark they were as coward-making as so many consciences."

"So the tired party, keeping as far as might be from the crocodile-haunted banks (of the Victorian Nile), yet near enough to keep in touch with the guiding river, stumbled on for hour after hour. At last they struck a road, and on it—how gladly they saw them!—were some natives with lamps and push-bikes sent out on their chance of being useful. An hour later H. R. H. pedalled in to camp."

Following a day's rest the party started off again on safari. After four miles of trek the spoor was found. It pointed to a group of four elephants, and it was followed up without difficulty for a mile. Then the procession halted.

A Tinker's Charge

He seemed so "haystack easy" that the Prince and Mr. A. F. Lascelles began an argument as to who was to have the doubtful honour. The Prince told Lascelles, almost out loud, that he (the Prince) had already shot an elephant, and that it had been agreed that Lascelles should have the next chance.

Lascelles, vehemently denying any such arrangement, said it was clearly up to the Prince to shoot first. He said a "tinker" was a rarity. The Prince replied that so was a "man" with one eye.

At this moment the elephant, becoming suspicious, "melted into the scenery." Now to follow unwounded game, whatever it may be, is as a rule about as dangerous as walking up to a partridge. The procession moved slowly on to the bush, the Prince in front with a .350, Salmon, the Game Bagger of Uganda, and "Pete" Pearson, a hunter. "It was all very quiet and breathlessly hot."

"What happened, then, was over almost before it began. There was a thumping, rumbling crash of thorns on the right, not ten yards away, a terrific scream, something like a steam siren. Then the elephant, up and doing, was on top of them."

"The Prince said afterwards that his chief impression was of the single tusk that he had so pooh-poohed. There was also the uplifted trunk—it

had looked to him as long as the boom of a yacht.

"Then—but there, as far as the Prince was concerned, the matter ended. For Pearson, with some presence of mind, responsibility, with a terrific push of his right, out of danger and backwards into the heart of thorn bush. As H. R. H. took the timber he heard the rifles rap—three shots that sounded as one. "And when he stood up again the incident was over. This is what happened in the two sounds during which he had sprawled in the bush. The elephant lowered his trunk for business; Pearson and Salmon, snatching at point-black range, got three bullets into the great head."

The attack was deflected. Pearson put a fourth shot into the elephant's shoulder. It ran another hundred yards—then dropped dead.

"It had been, of course, the nearest shave imaginable. When the shots were fired the elephant was, by the tape, within eight feet of Pearson and Salmon. Twelve feet away was the bush in which the Prince was spread-eagled. Had the elephant not been turned, he would undoubtedly have got one or other of the party. And that would have been another safari spoiled." They all sat down by the dead beast while the Prince got the tea basket and rather shakily made tea. Presently his Royal Highness, handing a cup to Pearson, asked if such a happening were usual.

"Pearson replied, 'No, sir, we don't usually go as long as arguing who is going to shoot the elephant!'"

Cameras Scattered

Later, in Kenya, the Prince and three companions found that a huge bull elephant, which they had been photographing, was "delicately walking after them." They decided on retreat, but at that moment the elephant trumpeted and charged.

He was on top of the cameras almost at once, and it appeared certain that one or another of the artists would be his meat. They separated and ran like rabbits. It was a ridiculous sight. There was the high road 200 yards in front of them, and on it the safari—a line of five important cars and four lorries—aid here were four men, one the Heir to the Throne, running for their lives before an irritated elephant, rapidly overtaking them.

Just as the elephant, squealing with rage, was closing on Lascelles, a quick shot from Finch-Hatton sent him off. "The four fugitives stopped and tried to look as if they had not been running."

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COTTON MILLS IN CHINA

136 At Present In
Operation

THREE BRITISH-OWNED

Nanking. According to statistics released by the Ministry of Industries, there are at present 136 Chinese and foreign-owned cotton mills in China with a total capital of \$474,109,480 and H.K. Tls. 50,000,000, approximately and a total of 232,761 workers.

Of these 92 are Chinese-owned cotton mills with a total capital of \$125,577,800 and H.K. Tls. 20,000,000 and total of 155,224 workers. Japanese-owned cotton mills number 41, which have a total capital of \$340,250,000 and H.K. Tls. 30,000,000 and a total of 65,587 workers. There are only three British-owned cotton mills with a total capital of \$8,251,748 and liabilities amounting to \$5,787,045. The total number of workers is 13,400. —Central News Agency.

MAGISTRATE ON MARRIAGE

Mr. Mullins-Court Philosopher

ADVICE TO A YOUNG HUSBAND

London. Mr. Claud Mullins, the Metropolitan magistrate, whose scheme for providing medical advice in certain types of matrimonial cases has aroused widespread interest, sat for the first time at the South-Western Court last month.

Following his plan at the North London Court, he intends to seek the assistance of a number of doctors—men and women—in dealing with matrimonial cases, especially those in which sexual matters are at the root of the marital differences.

In North London the scheme has been carried on for the past three months, and several married couples have had the advantage of medical advice. It is, however, as yet too early to say whether the experiment has proved a success.

At his first sitting in the South-Western Court Mr. Mullins had before him no cases which actually fell within that category, but he was called upon to deal with two applications of a matrimonial nature. Members of the public were excluded from the Court while they were heard.

"Rather Silly Idea"

In the first, a complaint by a young wife that her husband had left her, the magistrate elicited that the husband accused her of having gone for motor-bicycle rides with another man.

Mr. Mullins refused to regard the parting as definite, and granted a temporary order only. "The idea of breaking up a marriage because your wife goes motor-bike riding is rather silly," he told the husband. "You will pay your wife 15s a week for a month. In the meantime the probation officer will try to drive some sense into you."

Husband and wife left the court together.

In the second case a father, separated from his wife, objected to their 17½-year-old daughter getting married on the ground, as he alleged, that the young man who unable to provide a home for the girl.

The girl told the magistrate that she was to become a mother in January, but denied that this was the reason they wanted to marry. "We were going to be married at Christmas in any case," she declared.

"It Seldom Works"

The girl's mother said the couple were proposing to live with her until the girl "was over her trouble."

"Oh," observed Mr. Mullins, "it seldom works, you know."

The prospective husband said his age was 23, and that he was in employment, earning £2 a week and upwards.

Mr. Mullins spoke of the danger of hurrying into matrimony in the circumstances. He would adjourn the matter for three reasons:

(1) As the law now stood the baby could be made legitimate after marriage, so there was no need for hurry.

(2) The young man had been in work only three months, and a little delay might help him; and

(3) If he was unable to make a happy home, they had far better not marry.

Therefore, he would adjourn the application for six weeks, "and if at the end of that time you can convince me that you both still genuinely want to be married, I will give my consent."

REINDEER SNOWED UP IN LAPLAND

Unusually Violent Snowstorms

Stockholm.

Snowstorms of violence seldom experienced are reported from the Lapp district of Sorsela, Reindeer which had been herded for counting were driven before the storm and large numbers are buried in the drifts, many of which are six feet deep.

Some say the storms are the worst for 50 years.



A "Joan of Arc" of Spain's mine strikers (who must be nameless), marches proudly at the head of the column after she and 32 others were arrested in the forest near Les Branseras, Spain. The village is in the heart of the mining centre in Asturias and was the last sector to be brought under control in the recent uprising. Wearing the baretta that have been part of their costume for ages, the Civil Guards are marching them to prison. The roadway, mottled by the noonday sun as the rays filter through the leaves, makes the scene a picturesque one indeed, in spite of its sombre connotations.

INCULCATING LOVE OF PEACE

Ramsay MacDonald On Teaching History

The Prime Minister, in a message to the "Schoolmaster," on the occasion of the issue by that periodical of a special "Armistice and Peace Supplement," writes:—

I am glad to hear of the special supplement which you are preparing. It should serve a very useful purpose. One of the most disagreeable features of the present age is the development of the science of propaganda, by means of which children in many countries are being brought up with a false view of history and their minds full of glorifications of war. If our teachers wish, as I know they do, to inculcate a love of peace, they will not need to use propagandist methods.

All that they will need to do is to present the truth, which should always be the first principle of a teacher, and to ensure that their pupils know the past for what it has really been and are equipped to draw their own conclusions. Peacemakers need never fear the truth. It is only warmongers who need to pervert it.

The great service which teachers on their part can render is not to inculcate conclusions of a propagandist type but so to train the intelligence and character of their pupils as to endow them with the power to exercise sound judgment upon historical facts and present-day problems.

GERMAN'S WIRELESS TO CONTINENT

\$5 Fine And Powerful Set Confiscated

Frank Korhumel, aged nineteen, said to be a German subject of St Albans Road, Kensington, was fined \$5 at West London Police Court for working a transmitting wireless set without a licence. The set was forfeited.

Mr. G. H. Wigglesworth, prosecuting for the Postmaster-General, said that complaints were made by people living in the district and it was found that Korhumel's set was capable of transmitting signals which could be received in almost any part of the world.

Korhumel had produced a log book, he said, which showed that he had been sending messages to the Continent. When he applied for a licence he could not comply with the condition that an applicant must be a British subject, but he continued to transmit messages.

Sir Gervais Rentoul, K.C., the magistrate, said that he had treated the youth a good deal lighter than he would have been treated in other countries.

VIOLET CAPELL'S DANCING DISPLAY

Usual High Standard Maintained

PEGGY STRINGER AND NORA WITCHELL IN LIMELIGHT

An interesting display of dancing was given by the pupils of Miss Violet Capell at the Queen's Theatre yesterday afternoon, and the usual high standard of talent was shown by the young artistes, in a variety of dances.

Special mention must be made of the clever eccentric dancing of Peggy Stringer and Nora Witchell in "College Days," and of the graceful solo dancing of Violet Bradbury in "Moonlight Sonata."

In the second half of the programme Dorothy Craig charmed the audience with a graceful *pas seul*, and the two delightful ensembles, "Top Shop" and the colourful "Gypsies," were especially appreciated.

The babies made a charming and happy picture in their two numbers, "Mischief" and "Jazz."

The conclusion of the performance Miss Violet Capell gave a short exhibition of faultless dancing.

Half of the proceeds of the exhibition are to be devoted to the funds of London Hospitals.

PONIES FOR HUNAN'S MILITIA

500 Transported To Hankow

The Hunan provincial army's recent purchase of 500 of the finest Mongolian ponies is being transported by special freight trains to Hankow shortly from Peiping. Another batch of 500 ponies are now being selected and will shortly be brought down to Hankow.

VAST OVER-SUBSCRIPTION FOR U.S. ISSUE

New York, to-day.—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the United States Treasury, has announced bids of over U.S.\$5,300,000,000 for the Treasury's U.S. \$900,000,000 bond and note offering.—United Press per S. E. Levy and Company.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Two cases of diphtheria, one case of meningitis and one case of puerperal fever were reported in the Colony during the 24 hours ended December 6.

The name of the Malaguna Maroons, Limited, has been struck off the Register.

To-day's Short Story.

The House Where Something Was Wrong

By W. A. Sweeney

THE farmhouse where I was staying was in a lonely spot away up in the French Alps. There were mountains and ravines everywhere, but there was good hunting there and I had a gun with me.

The house in which I stayed was strange. I felt that as soon as I entered it. It was one of those houses that have a shadow hanging over them, the shadow of something which has happened or is going to happen. I wondered which it was—something of the past or something yet to come?

It was all a question of atmosphere, for there was nothing, after all, very unusual in the household. The farmer was about thirty-eight, but his wife was much younger. In a corner by the fireside the old father of the husband sat all day. He was very, very old, in the whimpering stage of senility, and it produced an odd effect on me to hear this old man talking to himself about wolves in the gorge below, where the last wolf had been shot fifty years before.

On the third evening of my stay I was sitting in the big room that served as the common dining room, and the old man was in his corner, and the farmer's wife was wiping some dishes silently. Suddenly a shot rang out, some distance away. The woman paused for an instant, and then continued her work.

"That will be Pierre," mumbled the old man from his corner, with a chuckle. "Pierre was one of the hired men. 'He's got that fox he was after at last. Good for Pierre."

FIRE AT JARDINE'S BAZAAR

Medicine Leaves Ignited In Kitchen

Fire raged for half an hour at No. 48 Jardine's Bazaar in the early hours of this morning.

The Police report states that the fire started in the kitchen of the first floor, which was also used for storing Chinese medicine leaves, at 3.45 a.m. The flames were quelled by the Fire Brigade at 4.15 a.m.

The damage is unknown, but the property is believed to be insured for \$3,000. No one was injured.

AUSTRALIA'S BAN ON NOVELIST

Revolutionary Activity Feared

Melbourne. Despite many protests the Federal Attorney-General adheres to his decision to ban the admission to Australia of Herr Kisch, a Czech-Slovakian novelist.

The Attorney-General declares that while the Commonwealth Government is in the fullest sympathy with legitimate movements directed against war it is determined to protect itself against revolutionary activities.

BRITISH COMMAND IN SAAR REGION?

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EARLY CONSIDERATION

It is now revealed that this method of ensuring the maintenance of order in the Saar, which has been received with such general acclaim, had been under the consideration of the British Government since it became clear that the French would prefer to stand aside.

Sir Eric Drummond, British Ambassador in Rome, visited Signor Mussolini yesterday and thanked him for Italy's co-operation in the Saar Plebiscite arrangements. The appreciation of Italy's action has also been formally expressed to Il Duce by both Germany and France.—British Wireless Service.

"Pierre isn't out," replied the woman. "He's in the byre."

"Then it must be Jean," said the old man. Jean was her husband. The woman was about to reply when something dramatic happened. A boy had rushed into the room and was standing stammering breathlessly.

"Monsieur is wounded—in the field over there! I've just seen him. He's lying bleeding to death."

The glass the woman was wiping fell from her hand with a crash. "Mon Dieu!" she gasped. "What are you saying?"

The boy, now nearly incoherent, repeated his news, and then the place was in an uproar. There were shouts, cries, general confusion, and

MONDAY'S STORY

Monday's story will be "A Table For Six," by Alan Fox-Hutchinson.

the men working outside appeared with scared faces in the doorway.

"Where is he? Which field? How did it happen? *Grand Dieu!*" "Merciful heaven!" cried the woman, "are you going to stand there asking questions while he dies?"

Led by the boy the men immediately set off at a run across the fields.

The old man whimpered in his corner, and the farmer's wife wept and prayed alternately.

"Wait!" she cried. "Wait for me! Robert, come back and take the lantern. Oh, *mon Dieu!* My poor Jean! What a catastrophe! Wait for me!"

The men halted and turned round, and when she was nearly up with them went on again. Once again she called for help, for in her distracted running she had caught her foot in a furrow. Again they turned, but I waved to them to go on while I went back myself to assist Madame Celeste to her feet.

"Oh," she moaned, "I have hurt myself. Tell them not to go so fast. We shall never find them if it gets darker. Oh, my poor Jean. Pray heaven he is not far away."

Soon, in the growing darkness, I could make out the group of men standing round something on the ground.

"He is dead?" gasped the woman, as we came up. "Oh, don't say my poor Jean is dead!"

"Not yet," said one of the men. They made way for her.

"Jean, do you hear me?" cried his wife, bending over her husband tenderly. "Can you hear me, my dear?"

I looked at the prostrate man and noticed a nasty-looking gunshot wound in his side. He had been hunting, evidently, and his piece had gone off accidentally in his hand. As I watched he opened his eyes and half-opened his mouth.

"Don't speak, cher!" his wife begged him. "Don't talk, my darling, you will tire yourself."

"Perhaps if we carried him to the farm?" somebody suggested.

"No, no, no!" cried Madame Celeste. "He is better to rest here for a while. He cannot be moved at the moment."

"She's right," said another man, "the wound may stop bleeding—it is stopping."

"We can carry him to the house then," said the woman, rising.

"Quickly, quickly, for God's sake! Let us get him to the house. Oh, my poor Jean!"

The four men picked up the farmer and began to follow, as fast as they could, the bobbing lantern which threw strange dancing shadows on the slipping, uneven ground. They had not gone two yards when I saw that this bumping motion was going to be very dangerous for the wounded man.

"Had you not better bring a doctor here?" I suggested.

"No, no," cried Madame Celeste. "Please, please bring him into the house as quickly as possible."

Every step of the way she watched his face with anguished eyes.

"Jean," she cried constantly, "Jean, my poor Jean, do you hear me?" but there was no sign of recognition from the husband.

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Mr. Cox, His Apple And Story

FAMOUS FRUIT "INVENTOR"

It is the singular fortune of some men to leave behind them a name which has made them, if constant repetition and universal familiarity be the test of fame, more celebrated than the celebrated. Time has consigned their careers to oblivion, but has handed down their names as household words.

The most striking example of this kind of immortality is, I should think, Mr. Mackintosh. During a spell of wet weather his name must be daily upon the lips of thousands, who neither know, nor indeed care, that his Christian name was Charles, or that he was born in 1766 and died in 1843, facts which the dictionary, though not that of National Biography, is grateful enough to supply. More is known about Mr. Bradshaw, who must run Mr. Mackintosh a good second, but still he lives as a book, and not as a man.

Who Was Mr. Cox
Another forgotten benefactor is Mr. Cox, whose interesting destiny it is to live as an apple. "How are your Coxes this season?" "English Coxes, so much a pound," "Coxes don't do well with us," and so on. Who was Mr. Cox?

When I tried to find the answer to this inquiry I was surprised (writes a correspondent of "The Times") that, even in the literature of the subject, so little attention seemed to be paid to the inventor of the most famous fruit of modern times. Robert Hogg, the pomological director of the Horticultural Society, writing in 1875, mentions in his "Fruit Manual" that the Orange Pippin was raised at Colbrook Lawn, Slough, Bucks, by a Mr. Cox from a pip of Ribston. He gives the date of it as 1830, but Mr. Bunyard, in his standard work on fruit, states that this variety of Mr. Cox's raising was not introduced until about 1850, when it was put on the market by Mr. Charles Turner. He adds that Mr. Cox was a retired brewer.

TELEPHONED TO THE YARD

Appointment Made To Be Arrested

ENGINEER'S SENSATION

Evidence that he made an appointment with police officers to be arrested was given at Westminster police court recently when Cyril Southwell Piper (29), engineer, of Grosvenor House, W., was remanded on £2,000 bail.

He was charged with obtaining by false pretences a banker's draft for £2,000 from James Henry Foster.

Detective-Inspector Donland gave evidence of arrest in Shaftesbury Avenue.

Mr. Harry Myers (defending): Defendant in fact telephoned New Scotland Yard and arranged to meet you or some representative of the police, came down and met you, and you are now in possession of his passport?—Yes.

Have you any reason for thinking that he has made any attempt to abscond, or would like to abscond?—No.

Mr. Myers said that for some years Piper had carried on in the West End of London a motor business under the name of Bruce and Company in Albemarle Street.

Three weeks ago has was taken seriously ill and was confined to his bed at Grosvenor House.

Certain of his creditors thought fit to call a meeting of creditors, as a result of which they appointed a committee to take over his affairs with his consent. From that time he had attended upon that committee at his premises.

He had handed over a very substantial sum of money and also his house, his yacht, and everything he had got.

A bankruptcy petition had been filed and there were High Court proceedings.

Asked by the magistrate (Mr. Rose) why bail was opposed by the police, Inspector Donland said that the Director of Public Prosecutions would be represented at the next



Here are the ruins of the Government building in Barcelona, where the short-lived Catalan republic was born and buried all in a few short hours. During Spain's latest revolution, Senor Lluís Companys, President of the Catalan Generalitat, proclaimed Catalonia a separate republic. Government troops laid siege to this building occupied by Companys, and after a few short hours of fighting, Companys and the republic both surrendered.

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Afforestation Aim In Shensi

1,000,000 IN FOUR MONTHS

Planting one million trees in four months by soldier labour is the aim of an afforestation programme which has been mapped out by the Shensi Pacification Commissioner's Office.

A close followers for Marshal Chiang Kai-shek who advocates a strong soldier-labour policy, General Yang Hu-cheng, Pacification Commissioner for Shensi, has organized a Soldier-Labour Tree-Planting Committee which is being entrusted with the work of carrying out the "million trees" programme.

To facilitate division of labour branch committees have been organized by the various Army Divisions, and with the whole-hearted co-operation of the different army units in the province it is believed that 500,000 trees will have been planted before the end of the Lunar New Year.

Shensi troops, it may be stated, have been trained to take part in reconstruction work outside their military drills and practices a greater portion of the highways built in Shensi having been constructed by provincial troops.

To give them technical help, two experts of the Shan Branch of the National Economic Council have been invited by General Yang to supervise and direct planning as well as planting work in this "million trees" programme.—Central News Agency.

SILVER AS AID TO HEALING

Extensive Use In Next War Seen

The use of silver as a germicidal agent in treating wounds, known long ago to Egyptian scientists, may become extensive in the next war, reports to the All Russian Congress of Surgeons in Moscow indicate.

The Congress has just concluded its sessions.

hearing and further charges would be preferred. Piper was living in a furnished flat and was in possession of a steam yacht.

The Magistrate: Is it suggested he would escape in the steam yacht?—I am not suggesting it, but there is the possibility.

Mr. Myers pointed out that Piper had handed over his steam yacht with other things.

After further arguments Mr. Rose remanded Piper for eight days and allowed bail in two sureties of £1,000 each.

PRINCE OF WALES ON SAFARI

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They walked with dignity to the cars, and sat down to lunch.

In the Masai country came danger of another sort—a charging rhinoceros. The Prince arranged his firm camera—and asked Capt. Ritchie, the Game Warden, to awaken a sleeping rhinoceros.

The animal woke, caught sight of the camera—and promptly charged it. The Prince said afterwards that he felt like a practical joker caught by a victim who lacks a sense of humour. But he kept on turning the handle and hoping for the best.

When the rhinoceros was within a yard or so of the Prince, Ritchie and Finch-Hatton, whose "heave-to" shots had been kicking up the dust at his feet, "fired into the brown of him."

"At the shock he swung a ponderous point or so, missing the camera by nearly a yard. As he passed out of focus H.R.H. hoped aside and Ritchie placed a final bullet behind the big shoulder. The rhinoceros dropped dead."

It was bad luck, said the Prince, that so gallant an old chap should have forced one's hands. But D. C. Saturday.

after all the film was a failure, for the Prince, though not moving his stance, had stopped filming at the crucial moment in order to see what was happening.

Then came a Masai lion hunt, in which the Prince's anxiety to "get his money's worth" again took him into the thick of things. From a dried-up river bed came an outburst of yells. The Prince and his companions, dashing with the Masai spearmen towards the sound, saw a superb, dark-skinned lion bound from the bank. A tall soldier intervened, but was felled by a terrific lash of claws. (He later recovered completely.) Then a whirl of spearmen closed in.

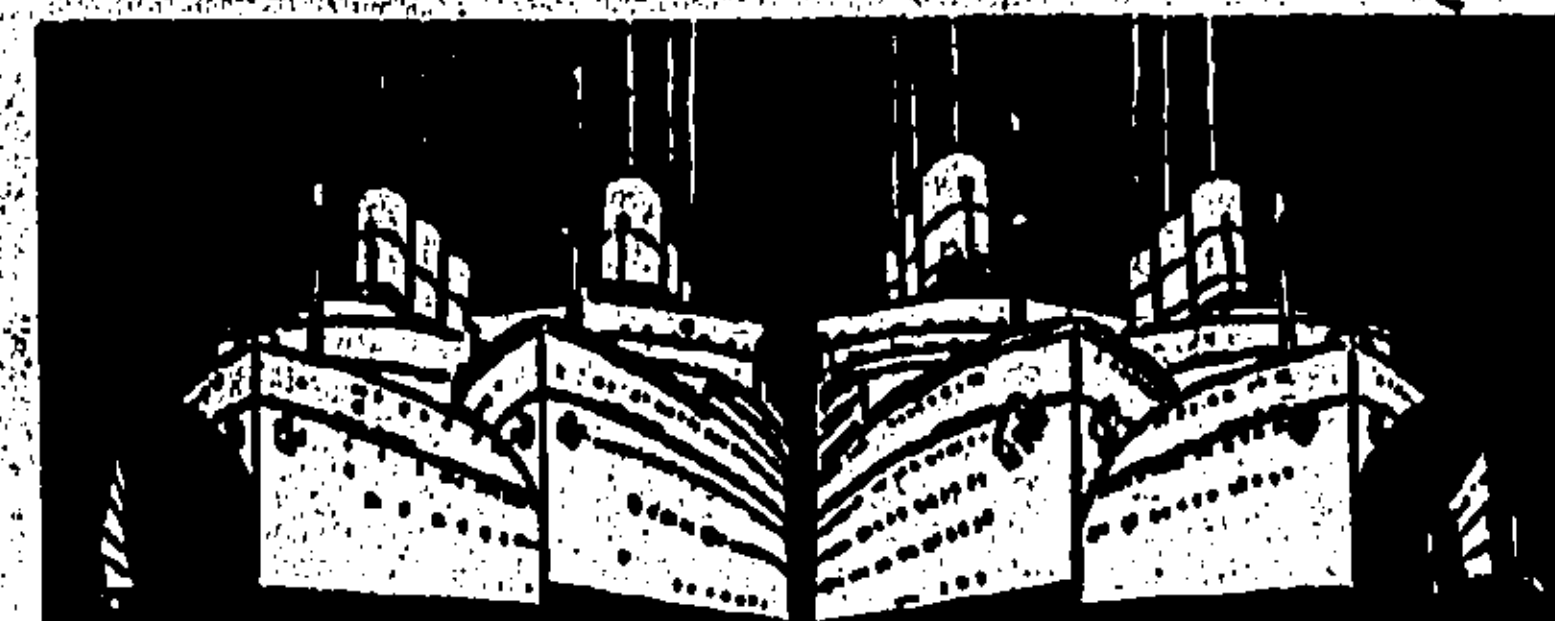
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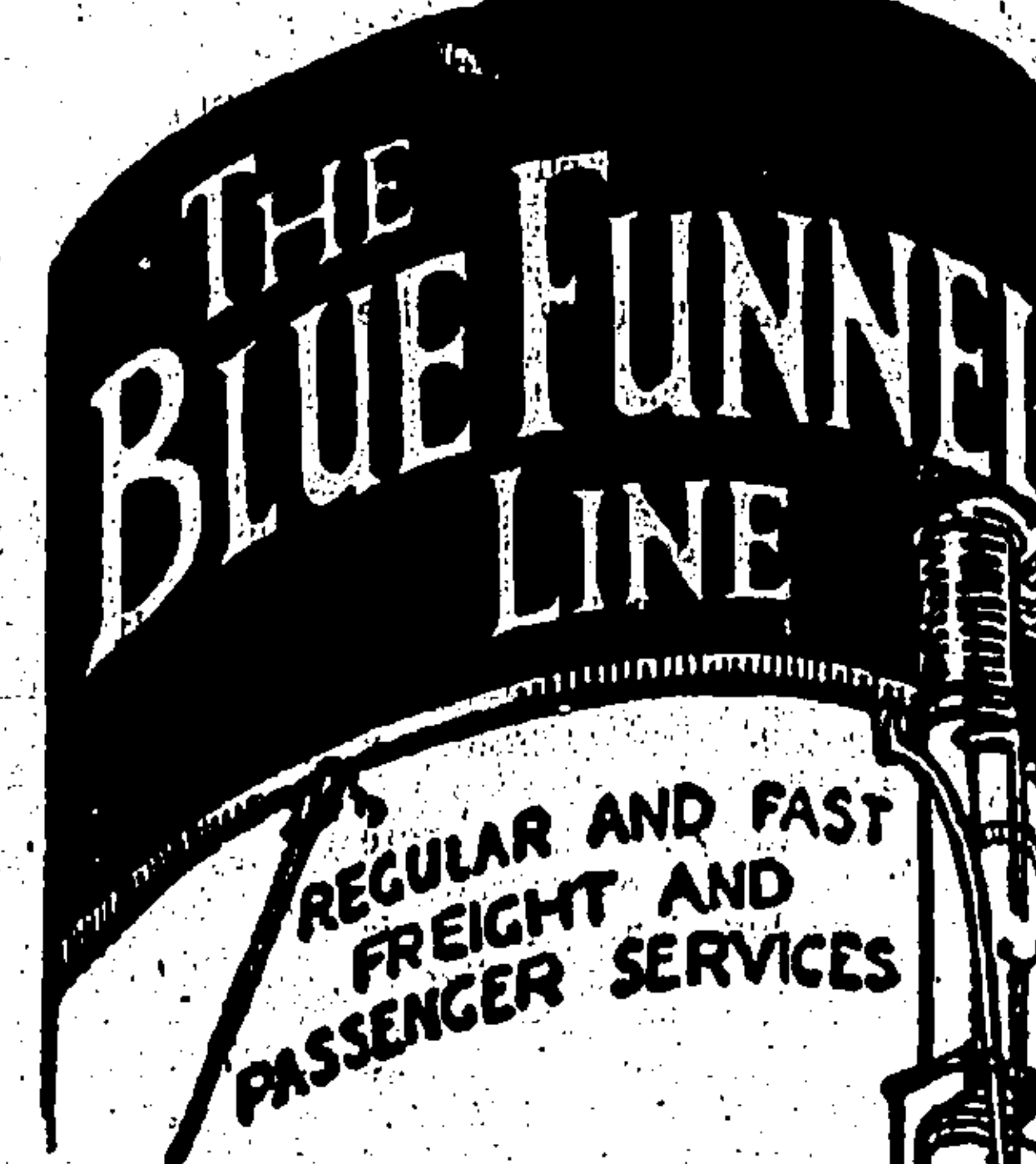
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*SOMALI	7,000	2nd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	9th Feb.	DO
RAJPUTANA	17,000	23rd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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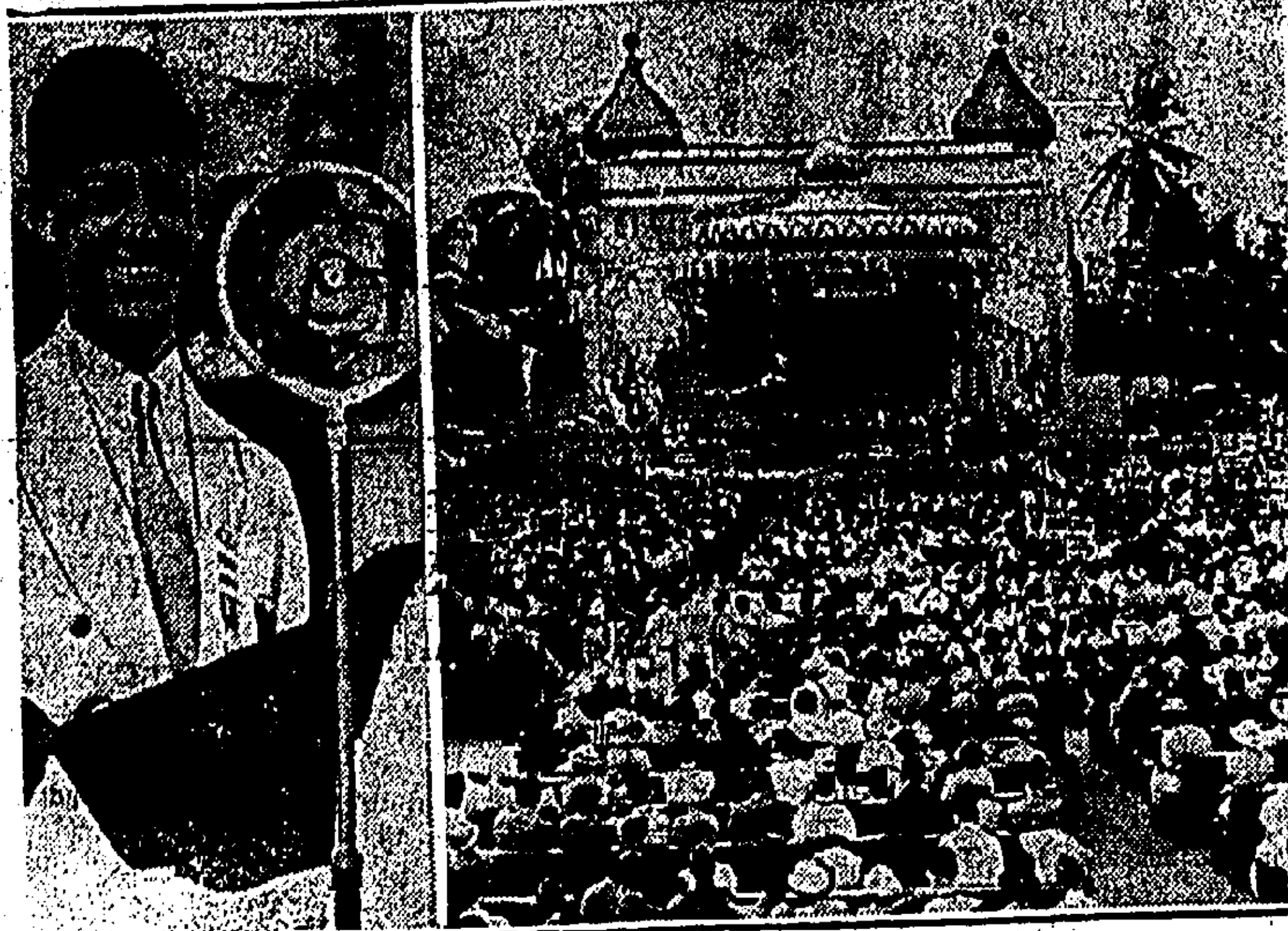
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The view in Bay Front Park as Edward Hayes (left) retiring National Commander, called the sixteenth annual convention of the American Legion to order. Seventy-five thousand travelled from all parts of America for the great meeting of the World War veterans.

The House Where Something Was Wrong

(Continued from Page 9.)

"Stop a moment till I change my position," said one of the men carrying him. They paused and placed the farmer on the ground. They wiped their brows, and one of them said suddenly: "Did anyone pick up his gun?" "What gun? I didn't see a gun anywhere."

"Did you look for it?" "Everywhere—all round, but it wasn't there." "There was a queer silence. "But—but wasn't he hunting, Madame Celeste?"

"Ah, mon Dieu," cried the agonised wife, "how should I know? There is my poor Jean dying on the ground, and you see his life-blood ebbing away while you gossip. Oh, I beg of you, take him up again."

"He is not bleeding any more," said one of the men. He looked at the still form closely, holding the lantern to the farmer's face. "Grand Dieu, I think he's— He stopped."

"Ah, heaven above, it cannot be possible!" said the wife, weeping afresh. "Jean, Jean! Oh, Lord, if he should have died...." The wounded man opened his eyes, and I thought he was going to speak.

"Don't speak, my darling," she cried, "don't fatigue yourself." She turned to the men again. "Take him, quickly."

They got on their way at once, but they hesitated to go too fast for fear they might shake the remaining spark of life out of the half-dead man. But always, as if half-demented, the woman stumbled after them crying, "Quickly, quickly."

From his place by the fireside in the big room the old man could see the party arrive, and he began to cry like a child. "I want to see my son," he repeated again and again.

"He is badly wounded," said a man as, led by Madame Celeste, they made their way to the narrow, dark staircase which ran to the bedrooms. Then suddenly the light in the lantern went out. I had noticed that the candle was very small, and wondered when it would give out altogether.

The men stood with their burden in the darkness while all sorts of cries went on around them. "Where do you keep the candles, Madame Celeste?" "They're in the kitchen, I think. Quickly, quickly, for the love of heaven!" I could hear her sob in the darkness.

A silence. "They're not in the kitchen. Where are they?" "Ah, mon Dieu, has everyone lost his head? Oh, Seigneur, will somebody find a candle? Perhaps they're in the big room below—I can't remember. Look for them, Jean, Jean, my poor Jean."

There was no reply to this, and then came the voice of a maid. "Madame Celeste, are the candles not in the cellar? They're not in the big room—ah, here they are!"

Madame seized the handle, and turned it.

"Parbleu!" grunted one of the men, "the door is locked. Where is the key?"

"Joseph," shouted the tortured woman, "the key of your master's room. It is on the table in the big room. Hurry, hurry," she cried down the staircase.

"It is not there," replied the boy a moment later.

I cursed this confusion and tried to help to find the key myself. Boys and maids were running about searching everywhere and getting in each other's way. From above I could hear the low anxious sobbing of the wife who saw her husband dying.

"Look in the drawer of the little room," she cried, "Perhaps it is there."

"It isn't there," came a voice. "Oh, my God, this is awful!" she moaned. "Can nobody find that key? Ah, my poor Jean, my poor Jean."

And then a moment later the key was discovered.

"It was in your apron hanging up in the big room," said one of the boys.

The door was opened and the wounded man placed on the bed.

As the men put him down I remembered, for the first time since all the excitement had started, the odd impression I had always had of this house, for the strange atmosphere which I had noticed seemed to have become intense, all-pervading....

There was a moment of silence while the wife bent over her husband, crying on him to speak to her. There was no answer, for the man was dead. Those who had carried him removed their caps, and stood looking sorrowfully at the woman weeping over her man. She dropped to her knees and rocked herself to and fro.

"If only," said one of the men, "we had brought the doctor at the beginning we might have saved him."

"The old man is crying below," said another, "Someone had better go, and attend to him."

"I shall go," said the wife, rising and wiping her eyes. "Oh, my poor Jean."

She left the room, and when she was halfway down the stairs I followed her. I can hardly account for my action, but I felt myself impelled to follow her. Something told me she was not going to the big room where the old man was.

She went on down to the cellar, crying and whispering her. Down the steep steps she went, the damp, dirty steps of the cellar, and softly, softly, I followed her. At last she stopped well in advance of me. The sobbing had ceased. I straightened myself against the wall.

"Felix," she whispered. Her voice was as hard as flint. "Yes? Is it—is it all right?"

The man's voice which came in reply was choked with fear.

"It is, but no thanks to you. Could you not do it properly? You only wounded him, you fool, and had I not used my wits on the way—and played for time with those simpletons when we got to the house, he would have lived."

As she came up the stairs I stepped out.

THE END.

COMMUNICATIONS TO MERCHANTMEN

China Flotilla Given First Place Of Merit

Extracts published in Fleet Orders from the quarterly returns of signalling between H.M. ships and British merchant vessels for the period ended June 30, 1934, show that a total of 1,143 successful exercises were carried out, as compared with 1,285 for the previous quarter.

There were five failures to establish communication. Special attention has been paid since the War to the improvement of communication by signalling between warships and merchantmen, as so much may depend upon it in case of emergency, and on the whole the signal staffs of the merchant vessels have responded well.

Although it means extra work they have shown keenness in volunteering to exercise signals whenever British warships are met at sea.

SETTLEMENT FOR WORKLESS

7,000 Mow For Returned Chinese

Unemployed Chinese who have been forced to return to this country are to be provided for in a specially planned village settlement in Anhwei province.

Seven thousand mow of land has been purchased in the Hsuanming district and the committee in charge of this settlement will have the responsibility of selecting 200 Chinese from overseas to start work on this territory next month. As an indication of how badly the depression has affected Chinese overseas, it is being pointed out that the remittances to this country from abroad has dropped by two thirds at \$8,000,000 last year. The number of Chinese going abroad have also decreased considerably in number while those returning are increasing.

Last year less than 130,000 Chinese went abroad while 270,000 returned to this country.

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CHRYSLER CAR COMPANY EXTENDS INTERESTS

New York, To-day.—Dow Jones has reported that Chrysler Motors has acquired stock interest in a commercial credit company.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

WOOLWORTH'S NOVEMBER SALES UP ON 1933

New York, To-day.—Woolworth November sales were U.S.\$22,332,301, as against U.S.\$23,303,619 for October and U.S.\$20,994,716 for November last year.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

INCREASING WINTER BUSINESS PREDICTED IN AMERICA

Washington, To-day.—Based on the Department of Commerce Analysis, the United States Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Daniel C. Roper, has predicted increasing winter business and a gradual improvement through the Spring.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

WAR MANOEUVRES AT SINGAPORE BASE NOT SIGNIFICANT

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craft-carrier, Eagle, and the cruiser, Cumberland, will be at Singapore at the same time. The exercises were originally fixed for December 13, but were changed to a week-end so that the Singapore Royal Naval Volunteer Reserves could take part. The Army, Air Force and Volunteer Reserves will defend the island, while the Navy will form the attack. The ships taking part are: H.M.S. Duncan, Flotilla Leader to the First Destroyer Flotilla, H.M.S. Decoy, Delight, Dainty, Duchess, Defender, Diamond, Diana, Daring, the Keppel, the leader of the Eighth Destroyer Flotilla, H.M.S. Verity, Veteran, Whitehall, Whited, Wildswan, Wishart, Witch and Wren.

STEEL INGOT OUTPUT RISE IN U.S.

New York, To-day.—November steel ingot production was 1,589,049 tons, as against 1,461,832 tons for October and 1,521,189 tons for November last year.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

STEEL INGOT PRODUCTION RISES IN U.S.

New York, To-day.—The Steel Institute reports that November steel ingot production was 1,589,059 tons, the highest since June.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

U.S. MANUFACTURERS SEEK FURTHER N.R.A. SPELL

New York, To-day.—The National Manufacturers Association has recommended another year of a modified N. R. A.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

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Britain

London, To-day.
The decision to undertake a comprehensive inland water survey for Great Britain was announced in the House of Commons by the Minister of Health, Sir, Hilton Young, who has been in consultation with the department of scientific and industrial research, and other departments concerned, which will co-operate in the work. Information for purposes of the survey will be obtained from water undertakers, catchment boards, and other qualified bodies, and a water survey committee, composed of persons outside the Government departments, will be appointed to advise on the survey, and on the progress of the measures undertaken. The preliminary work has already been put in hand.—British Wireless Service.

PRINCE HENRY PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE AUSTRALIANS

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At the Rotary luncheon, where he was guest yesterday, the Duke said he was convinced that, whatever divergent opinions the Australian people might possess on other subjects, two sentiments were common to all, and they were so deeply ingrained as to be part of their being, namely the affection for the Crown and the loyalty to the Empire.—British Wireless Service.

COPPER PRODUCTION CURTAILMENT

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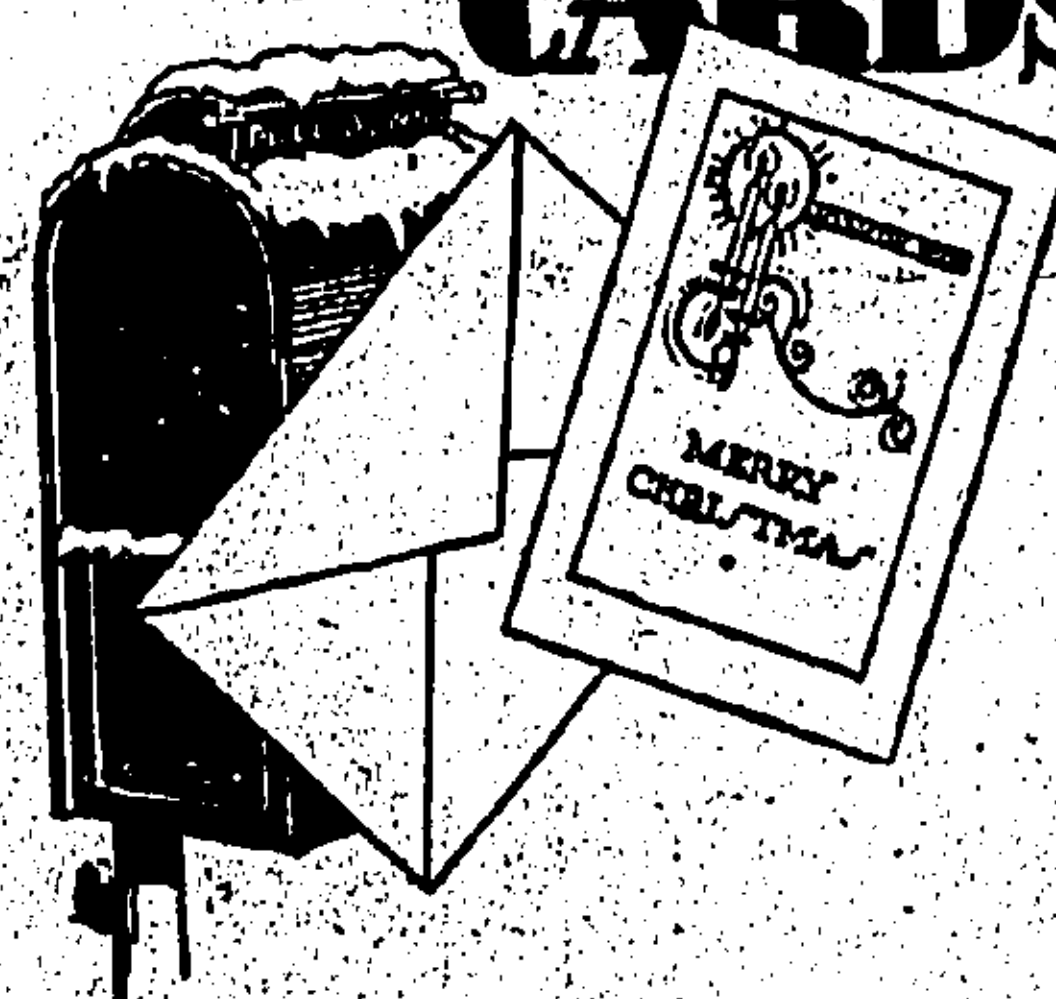
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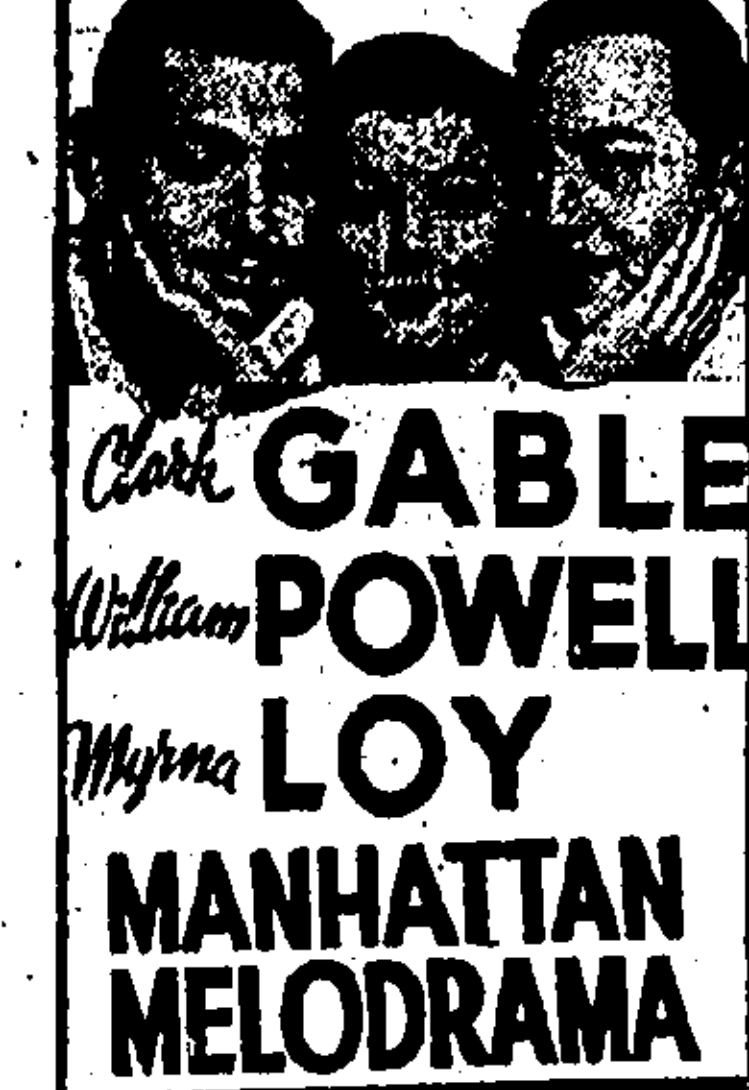
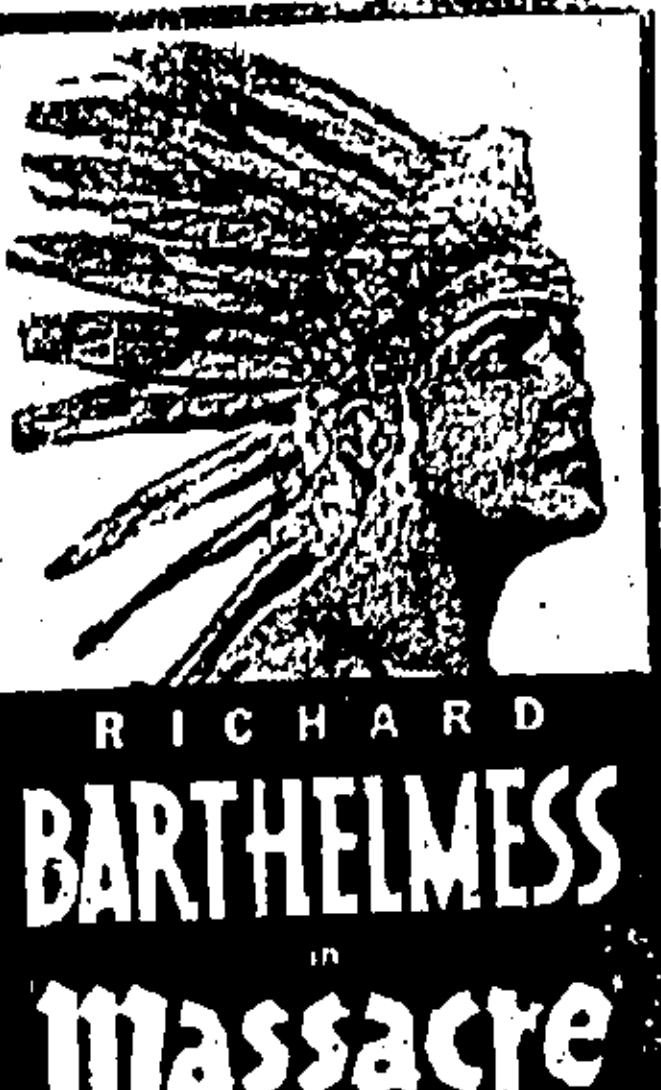
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